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ARITA'S SPEECH BROUGHT NOTHING NEW: JAPANESE FRICTION WITH FOREIGNERS WILL CONTINUE

Merchantmen To Be Built Under New Arrangement

SIX DIFFERENT TYPES

LONDON, Feb. 1 (BWS)—It is understood that merchantmen to be built under the arrangement whereby the Admiralty becomes responsible for merchant ship-building and repairs will be of five or six different types allocated to the yards most suited for their construction.

The Manchester Guardian annual business review recalls, "Even before the outbreak of war the course of events had decreed that 1939 would be an outstanding year in the records of British shipbuilding. As a result of the Government provision of operating a subsidy for tramp shipping and cargo liners, definite placings by mid-July, coupled with preliminary notifications, totalled over a million pounds."

NAVAL VESSELS. Moreover, on July 1, naval vessels of a total of 690,000 tons, to cost £150,000,000 were in hand in private yards in addition to some 22,000 tons in Royal dockyards. At the end of July additions were announced to the 1939 programme, 180 vessels being involved, about half of these being trawlers to be completed for anti-submarine and mine-sweeping work, and a few days later, orders for 51 new vessels were announced.

"Thus, compared with 1914, work on which shipyards were engaged at the end of August was immeasurably more appropriate to war purposes than 25 years ago. Mercantile tonnage completed since the outbreak of war and tonnage put into the water virtually balances the loss of merchant Navy suffered from submarines and mines."

"When account is taken of the tonnage obtained by transfer from foreign flags and prizes taken from the enemy there are actually credit balance in favour of the merchant navy compared with the position at the end of August."

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"EXTRA-SETTLEMENT ROADS" POLICE AGREEMENT

Special to the H. K. Daily Press SHANGHAI, Feb. 1 (Havas)—It is understood that the agreement between the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Special Municipality of Greater Shanghai for the policing of "extra-settlement roads" will be signed shortly, perhaps tomorrow.

The joint police force will be called the "extra-settlement police" having under its jurisdiction the entire outside roads area. A commissioner, selected by the Shanghai Special Municipality, will head it with a deputy commissioner appointed by the Shanghai Municipal Police.

DEATH OF MRS. TELFER-SMOLLETT

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—After a fortnight's illness, the death occurred today at 9 a.m., of Mrs. A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, wife of Major-General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, Governor of Guernsey and former Commander of British Troops in the Shanghai Area.

Sir John Reith, Minister of Information, was elected unopposed at Southampton.—(Reuter).

Diplomats' Opinion In Washington

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (Havas)—Diplomats consider that the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita's speech has brought nothing new and merely outlines the Japanese foreign policy which is identical with that pursued by the previous Cabinet.

THE GENERAL BELIEF HERE IS THAT JAPAN WILL BE COMPELLED TO MAINTAIN HER MILITARY OCCUPATION OF CHINA FOR MANY MONTHS, HENCE FRICCTIONS BETWEEN THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES AND FOREIGNERS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE.

HAVAS reports from Tokyo that the general opinion is that Yonai's Cabinet is having an easier time with both Houses.

The Minseitō Party has decided to openly support the Cabinet while the Seiyūkai has seemingly adopted a favourable wait-and-see attitude.

Parliamentary opposition is expected to come only from the minor parties of which the most important is the pro-Fascist Tōhōkai Party which violently opposed any pro-British or pro-American policy.

Meanwhile, Admiral Yonai's policy will be centred around three main points, namely, disposal of the China Incident, adjustment of international relations, and improvement of the economic situation.

Financial circles, especially, are anxious that the new order, presided over by Wang Ching-wei, should become a paying proposition.

ABE'S PRINCIPLE

As regards international relations the Cabinet, apparently, intends to follow General ABE's principle of "autonomous diplomacy," meaning now a "fifty-fifty basis," that is, the possibility of a compromise with Britain and America and, at the same time, launching a new form of pro-German policy through rapprochement with the Soviet Union as the go-between for Tokyo and Berlin.

As regards the domestic and, especially, the economic situation, no definite programme is seen but the Army apparently wishes to closely participate in this although, as yet, it has made no suggestions.

STATEMENT BY YONAI

TOKYO, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—An affirmation that the Japanese Government is determined to concentrate on a "settlement of the China Affair" and not become involved in the European conflict was made by the Premier, Admiral Yonai, when addressing the house of Peers.

He said that it is Japan's intention to adjust relations with other Powers while firmly maintaining an independent standpoint.

He added: "In order to fulfil our mission, the establishing of a new order in East Asia, in accordance with our conviction that it is imperative, we will concentrate the total power of the nation and seek to strengthen the nation's defence."

"To that end replenishment of armaments, strengthening of the national morale and the assurance of wartime livelihood for the people are indispensable."

FRENCH PATROLS PENETRATE NAZI TERRITORY

Special to the H. K. Daily Press PARIS, Feb. 1 (Havas)—It is semi-officially stated that French patrols penetrated deeply into German territory, taking advantage of the thick fog enveloping the whole front. (They brought back interesting information regarding the activity of German outposts. In the Vosges Mountains, one patrol returned with several prisoners.



THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

APPEAL BY PRIMATE TO HASTEN AID TO FINLAND

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The Archbishop of Canterbury declared at a national service of intercession for the Finnish people at St. Paul's today that it was very probable that the final issue of the struggle for right against wrong would be decided in May. "We appeal to the Government to hasten its help," he added.

The Primate read a message from the Primate of Finland and Bishop Temppa which he described as the voice and cry which comes to us straight from the soul of Finland. "The message declared, 'We are suffering and hope. The new tribulation has now met you and us. The freedom of Europe is threatened. No permanent peace can be built so long as the violent Bolshevik expansion remains.' 'We appeal to you for effective help that should not come too late.'"

Avoiding Economic Blunder Of Last War

LONDON, Feb. 1 (BWS)—The significance of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's announcement that one million pounds is weekly being spent by the Treasury on retail price-fixing, under a scheme in operation since December 1, is underlined by the press.

It is pointed out the measure had been consistently urged by leading trade union representatives and is designed to benefit wage earners and those with small fixed incomes by preventing abrupt rise in retail prices of staple foods.

The Daily Telegraph says, "Its importance is far wider. By these plans we may avoid the worst economic blunder of the last war which sent the cost of living and rate wages chasing each other up in a vicious spiral. The result was a weakening of the war effort by industrial trouble and, when peace came, general disorganisation of productive power."

REASONABLE PRICE

The Daily Mail says, "The sum of a million a week is a reasonable price to pay to avoid inflation."

The Daily Herald says, "This policy is fundamentally right. It will cost the Treasury something at the start but it will be cheaper in the end."

The News-Chronicle writes, "The announcement gives the working people an assurance that for the time being their food bills will not go up much more."

Further steps to utilise to the best advantage the Allied purchasing power in foreign markets are reported to be under consideration and may involve restriction on the supplies of wool enabling larger quantities to be sold overseas thus securing an accumulation of foreign exchange for other commodities. The natural corollary will be the rationing of certain articles of clothing.

STEADILY GROWING ANTAGONISM AMONG PEOPLE OF U.S. TOWARD JAPAN'S WAR AGAINST CHINA

An Analysis Of Public Opinion Polls On Subject

NEW YORK (HAVAS BY MAIL)—A STEADILY MOUNTING ANTAGONISM AMONG THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TOWARD JAPAN'S WAR AGAINST CHINA was shown in an analysis of public opinion polls made on the subject during the past two years.

On the question of shipments from this country of war material and ammunition to Japan the 72 per cent. who opposed arms traffic in June, 1939, increased to 82 per cent. in August, 1939. Opinions favouring United States arms shipments to China increased from 36 per cent. in February, 1938, to 60 per cent. in June, 1939.

In less than two years, from October, 1937, to June, 1939, the number of people who favoured boycott of Japanese goods increased from 37 per cent. to 66 per cent. In April, 1938, 58 per cent. of the country favoured a boycott.

The analysis, which was made by the American Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression, of which former Secretary of State, Mr. Henry L. Stimson, is honorary chairman, showed that September, 1937, only 43 per cent. of the public was sympathetic to China but that a year later this had increased to 59 per cent.

By June, 1939, 74 per cent. claimed sympathy for China's cause. The analysis was made from published results of Fortune and Gallup polls.

CONGRESS MUST ACT

In releasing the figures, Mr. Roger S. Greene, chairman of the committee said: "The continuous swing of public opinion toward China and the increasing disapproval of shipment of American war materials to Japan will undoubtedly carry considerable weight with Congress when proposals to stop the shipment of these war materials comes up again for discussion."

"With such overwhelming public opposition, it would appear that in a democracy such as ours, Congress must act to reflect the expressed will of the people."

JAPANESE UNSUCCESSFUL IN ATTACK IN C. HUPEH: STEADY CHINESE ADVANCE

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Feb. 1 (Central)—With the support of artillery, Japanese forces along the Kingshan-Chungsiang highway, in Central Hupeh, attacked the Chinese positions there all day Tuesday without success.

Enemy units at Tungkiak, Kwankiao, Shushan, Fengchiao and Yingchiao have been defeated by the Chinese, who are now engaged in "mopping up" operations in these areas.

In North Hupeh, the Chinese are advancing steadily on Suhsien, on the Yu River about 34 miles west of Yingshan.

DEFEAT IN SUYUAN

WUYUAN, SUYUAN, Feb. 1 (Central)—Japanese units in Suyuan, which crossed the Yellow River, have been defeated by the Chinese at Wulanshan and are now in retreat.

Chinese guerrilla units have again been active between Kwetsui and Paotow. In an attack on the Pichot railway station, on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway, they captured several Japanese.

NINGPO QUIET

CHONGKING, Feb. 1 (Central)—All is quiet at Ningpo, treaty port on the Chekiang coast, according to a message received here. Shipping between Ningpo and Shanghai is as usual.

A report from the Chekiang front, claims that heavy losses have been inflicted upon the Japanese at Siao-shan, on the south bank of the Chientang River, opposite Hangchow, as a result of Chinese encircling attacks.

NANYANG, HONAN, Feb. 1 (Central)—A Japanese attack near

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INTENSIVE FIGHTING RAGING

Finns Edging Forward

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Reuter's special correspondent on the central Finnish front reports that more or less intensive fighting is raging on an extensive series of fronts in the narrowest part of central Finland.

The military centre of gravity, however, continues to be the Rasti sector where, along the lengthy and ill-defined front, the Finns are edging slowly forward driving the Russian division before them.

"At many points on the front there is heavy gunfire which at times blazes up into artillery duels of extreme intensity. It is now learned that 300 members of the newly appeared Siberian patrols which the Russians threw into the central front few days ago were killed yesterday, 50 Russians being taken prisoner."

COURT MARTIAL OF WING CDR. WOOD, R.A.F.

GERMAN REPORT UNTRUE

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—A bulletin issued by the German Embassy in Tokyo quotes a report from Amsterdam, dated Jan. 28, that, according to the London Gazette, Squadron Leader Wood was cashiered out from the Royal Air Force in accordance with the verdict of a court martial.

The report continues that, according to the report from London, Squadron Leader Wood was sentenced for failing to carry out a task assigned to him in the raid on Heligoland Bight and for reporting successes which proved to be untrue.

This statement is entirely untrue in almost every respect. Wing Commander Wood, not Squadron Leader Wood, was cashiered and this was announced in the London Gazette. Wing Commander Wood was not an operational officer and had not flown for many years.

LONG DISTANCE RECORD

The British Wing Commander concerned in the Heligoland engagement was Wing Commander Kellert, who led the formation of British aircraft which gained the long distance record for Great Britain with the flight from Ismailia to Darwin.

For his part in the action over Heligoland Bight, Wing Commander Kellert has been decorated by the King.

The official German claim regarding the number of British aircraft shot down in this engagement began at 44 and then vacillated a good deal, becoming stabilised finally at 36, a far larger number than the total of British aircraft engaged.

The R. A. F. lost seven bombers in this action but shot down 12 German fighters, including six of the much vaunted twin-engine Messerschmitts 110, which carry machine-guns as well as two cannons.

The German bulletin version was first put out in a German broadcast with the clear intention of initiating a denial in London so that the London report might subsequently be quoted, this being in accordance with the well-known technique of German propaganda.

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In the World of Sports

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB COMPETITION IN AID OF B.W.O.F.

R. YOUNG WINS WITH SCORE OF 5 UP

The competition held by the Royal H.K. Golf Club throughout December and January, in aid of the British War Organization Fund, produced \$384 and resulted in a win for R. Young (8) with a fine score of 5 up over the Old Course.

OTHER SCORES

Other scores were: G. C. Worrall (8) 4 up; J. T. Smith (scr.) 2 up; Wing-Comdr. A. H. Steele-Perkins (18) 2 up; R. J. K. Walker (17) 2 up; H. F. Phillips (10) 2 up; A. H. McBride (14) 2 up; Capt. Drew Wilkinson (15) 2 up; Lt. F. W. M. Carter (12) 2 up; J. T. Smith one up; H. Overy one up; J. Linaker one up; F. M. Merritt one up. * Played on the New Course.

MIXED FOURSOMES COMPETITION

The following is the draw for the Mixed Foursomes Competition 1940:

First Round: Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. Linton (9 and 31) v. Col. and Mrs. Rose (9 and 22); W. B.

SERVICES SET PACE AT RUGBY

Such interest was aroused by the Services four-country international match that a crowd of 8,000 gathered at the Richmond Athletic Ground. They were treated to a splendid exhibition.

England and Wales beat Scotland and Ireland by 17 points to 3, but their margin of superiority was hardly so great as the score would suggest.

England and Wales held a big pull in the tight scrums, in which W. H. Travers proved himself a master hooker, and at scrum half, where J. Ellis was irreplaceable.

Of the others, T. F. Huskisson and D. E. Teden, forward, and C. Davey, centre, were outstanding, and although H. J. M. Sayers and G. B. Horsburgh put in all they knew in and out of the Scotland and Ireland pack, and W. M. Penman gave a splendid display at full-back, they were always battling against a better side.

WASPS BEATEN

The Wasps, after going through the season undefeated, were beaten by Guy's Hospital (16-8), for whom Phillips, Gartrell, and T. L. T. Lewis were in sparkling form behind the scrum. The sound tackling of the Hospital outsiders proved too much for the Wasps.

St. Mary's Hospital remain unbeaten. United Services gave them a hard game, but St. Mary's won by 14 points to 3, their forwards putting up a fine display.

Rosslyn Park, with D. M. Strathairn and B. Luyt, of Oxford, in their side, overran Bart's (22-3), D. K. Huxley, the Park captain, converting five tries and scoring two himself.

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HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

INTERPORT MATCHES.

Hong Kong v. Saigon. Thursday, February 8, 1940.

Eastern A.A. v. Saigon. Friday, February 9, 1940.

South China A.A. v. Saigon. Sunday, February 11, 1940.

All matches will be played at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m. each day.

Reserved seats—Covered stand \$2.20. Uncovered stand \$1.10. Booking now open to the public at Messrs. Moutrie and Co., Ltd. and Messrs. China Sports Co.

Acceptances For Grand National

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—First acceptances and weights for the Grand National steeplechase, which is being run on April 5, are as follows:

Royal Mail and Airspeeds (12 st. 1), Royal Daniel (11 st. 5), The Professor II and The Uplifter (11 st. 8), Dunhill Castle, Rockquilla and Workman (11 st. 5), Red Prince (11 st. 4), Red Eagle and Jovial Judge (11 st. 2), Dominicks Cross (11 st. 1), Rudolph Fourth, Blackhawk and Kilstar (11 st.), Away Old Pal (10 st. 13), Timber Wom (10 st. 11), MacMoffat Hill and Head Prince (10 st. 10), John Chinaman, Knightsbrook and Milano (10 st. 9), Venturesome Knight (10 st. 8), Symaethis, Litigant and Le Cygne (10 st. 7), Inversible (10 st. 6), West Point (10 st. 5), Boyo, Chatterton, Takvor Pacha, Bogskar and National Night (10 st. 4), Red Freeman, Underbid, Young Mis-Chief, Gold Arrow, Bachelor Prince, Down Right, Second Act, Sterling Duke, Corn Law, Prime, Cordite, Luxborough, Lazy Boots, Bally Fox and Tuckmill (10 st. 3).

SNAP GOALS BEAT COVENTRY

West Bromwich 3 Coventry City 1

Although Albion's lively young attack monopolised the play from the start, they threw away many chances through erratic finishing. Morgan, in the Coventry goal, saved his side repeatedly in the opening half. Albion were the better balanced side—White, at centre half, played a storming game in a sound defence which blotted out the Coventry forwards. Albion soon got into their stride with finely conceived movements that worried the visitors' defence. It was not until midway through the half, however, that Albion scored.

SPLENDID SAVES

After Morgan had made several splendid saves, Johnson opened the scoring. Inspired by this goal, Albion attacked again and within four minutes Jones (H.) scored their second.

Albion kept up the pressure after the interval and soon had their reward. Their liveliest attacker, Jones (H.), rounded off a fine movement to notch his second goal.

Coventry reshuffled their attack at this stage, and they certainly improved on their first-half showing. Lowrie scored for them, and in a lively finish Saunders, in the Albion goal, made grand saves from Crawley and Warner.

WOLVES BEAT HANDICAP

Northampton 1 Wolves 2 Wolverhampton, who introduced Thorp, a 16-years-old Nottingham boy, at left half, were a goal down in 10 minutes. Billingham scoring from Henson's pass.

Galley was injured and had to be assisted from the field, but immediately after he left, Wolverhampton equalised, Westcott putting the finishing touch to a scrambling raid after 29 minutes. Galley returned on the right wing after five minutes, with Dorsett at centre half and Steen at inside forward.

Galley resumed at centre half. After 58 minutes Dorsett put Wolves ahead with a great shot following a misunderstanding in the Northampton defence. Wolves made one or two late thrusts, but they did not finish well, and they were lucky to claim the distinction of being the first team to win at Northampton this season.

CLUB AND POLICE CRICKET TEAMS

The following will play for H. K. C. C. 2nd XI, against the Police on the Club ground tomorrow: H. J. Armstrong, K. J. Attwell, C. W. E. Bishop, G. P. Charlton, R. D. Gillespie, J. Hackney, R. S. W. Paterson, J. E. Potter, W. G. Pryde, D. S. Robb, A. N. Other.

The following have been chosen to represent the Police: Pope, Hunter, Kirby, Carey, Loughlin, Forrest, Biall, Danbrowsky, Lewis and Brooks.

The total cost of the picture has been put at \$750,000, which would make it the most expensive film as well as the longest.

The 237 minutes of showing time is still but a fraction of the

Royal Scot Suspended From Playing Further Football In Hongkong

MACKAY, the Royal Scots Junior League player, has been suspended from playing further football in Hongkong for striking a referee during a recent match.

This was the decision of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association, which held an emergency meeting last night to inquire into the case.

The incident took place during a Second Division match between the Royal Scots and the Police on January 6, when Mackay struck Sgt. Horlock, the referee.

The Police were awarded the points for the game which was abandoned after 50 minutes.

HOCKEY CHATTER

BY "RECORDER"

The Hockey Association Tournament is due for a poor weekend, the volunteer camps having called away many players, and one game only, I learn, has been confirmed for Sunday morning. The Royal Engineers are to meet Club de Recoelo at King's Park.

The Sappers will be playing their first tournament game away from home in several weeks, and Recoelo, provided they are not short of several men called away by the camps, should start favourites.

The R. E.'s right-back, Lt. Russell, will not be playing. I understand he is leaving the Colony for home in the very near future, and his place will be taken by Major Seagram. The team will otherwise be at full strength, but for L. Sgt. Dobson in goal.

"Y" Ladies and St. Andrew's are, at present, equally placed in the race for the Caer Clark Cup in that both teams have lost three points each. "Y" Ladies, however, have only one match left to play off, against the Central British School, and both points should be even the more easy to acquire as the champions are playing at home.

St. Andrew's are faced with a more stern proposition. This Saturday they meet Hongkong Ladies at the Valley and a slip may cost them the chance of a play-off with the champions. If the Saints pull through with flying colours, they will have yet to beat the Recoelo and C. B. A.

Mrs. Sybil Gardner now leads the Caer Clark Cup goal-scorers with

'DRAGON' HELPS RED CROSS

MONTREAL — Frequently the Canadian Red Cross Society has brought relief to war-torn China. Members of the Montreal Chinese community demonstrated their appreciation of the work done by the Red Cross when they staged their Dragon Procession through the streets of Montreal and collected \$2,000 which will be added to the \$875,000 donated in the Province of Quebec in a Canada-wide campaign for funds to further the Society's work in the European war.

Montreal Chinese say that the procession was the first ever held for a cause which was not essentially Chinese, and it marked the first time the procession has been held in Montreal outside "China town."

PICTURESQUE COSTUMES

Clad in their picturesque costumes the Chinese marched for miles along the streets of the City. As the procession wended its way young Chinese boys and girls collected contributions from the crowd which lined the route. In the procession young Chinese girls carried a large Union Jack and a Red Cross flag, and spectators were invited to throw their contributions on the dais.

led by a young Chinese girl on a horse, who represented the Chinese Joan of Arc, Mu Kuei-ying, and who was attended by several mounted warriors, the different floats in the parade portrayed various important stages in Chinese history. To the Chinese people Mu Kuei-ying is a symbol of victory. (Christian Science Monitor).

INTERPORT CRICKETER MARRIED

A wedding of considerable interest among the local Indian community was that of MR. AHMED HUSSAIN MADAR, the Interport cricketer, and MISS HASSENA ISMAIL, which was solemnised yesterday according to traditional rites.

The bridegroom, who is connected with Messrs. Arculli Bros., is an extremely popular figure in sporting circles. A keen cricketer, he has represented the Indian Recreation Club in the League for several seasons, and is also honorary secretary of the Cricket League.

He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Madar and a nephew of Mr. A. el Arculli, the solicitor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. S. R. Ismail, formerly of the

NO DAVIS CUP THIS YEAR

MELBOURNE, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Since no Davis Cup challenges have been received by January 31 there will be no competition in 1940. Australia, therefore, will retain the Cup.

Only one game was played yesterday in the third round of the Tournament for the Colony Chess Championship, K. Wells defeating Sir Henry Pollock.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Ismail.

Mr. A. R. Minu was best man.

The wedding ceremony took place in the morning. In the afternoon, a reception, which was attended by a large gathering, was given at the Indian Recreation Club.



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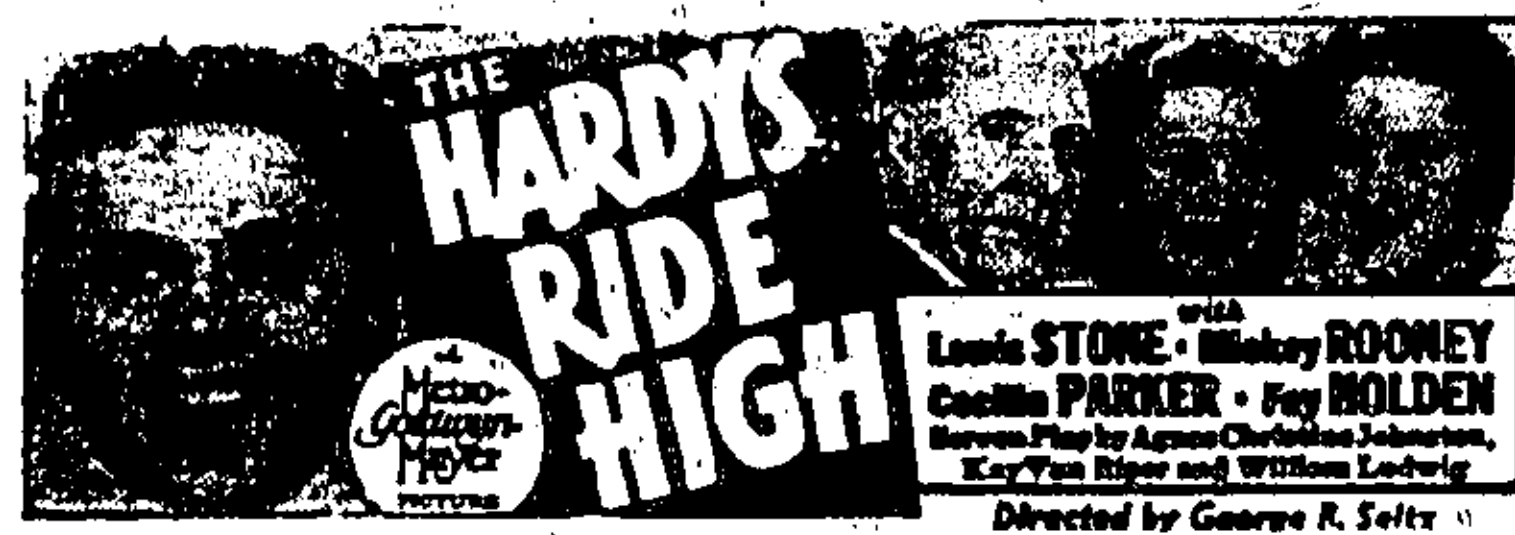
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FINAL SHOWINGS TODAY



TOMORROW



COMING EVENTS

2-Tides: High 4.50 a.m. and 4.45 p.m. Low 12.10 a.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
H.K. Chamber Music Club concert, Government House, 8.30 p.m.
H.K.E.C. Jumble Sale, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 3 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Charity Bridge and Mah-jongg Drive in aid of H.K. Benevolent Society Funds, 3 p.m.
A.R.P. Lectures for Students commence, S.C.M.P., 8.45 p.m.
H.K. Branch of Sino-British Cultural Assn. at Fung Ping Shan Library, 8.30 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Kuo Yuan-hsi on "In the Course of a New Chinese Architecture."
Kowloon Guides and Brownies (St. Andrew's), Bridge and Mahjongg Drive, St. Andrew's Hall, 3 p.m.
Sallyinggun Vernacular School, Prize-Giving, 11 a.m.
Northumberland and Durham Assn. Annual Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's College, annual Prize-Giving, 11 a.m.
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Gort. House, 8 a.m.—1 p.m.
St. John's Cathedral Hall: Volunteer Nursing Detachment "First Aid" Lecture, 8.30 p.m.
Helena May Inst. Christian Fellowship, 10.30 a.m.
Toc. H. Chater Room, St. Andrew's, 6.45 p.m.
Cheero Club: Darts, Ping-Pong, Billiards.
3-Tides: High 6.35 a.m. and 6.45 p.m. Low 12.25 a.m. and 12.26 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
H.E. the Governor accompanied by Lady Northcote will open the new premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in Canton Road, Kowloon, at noon.
His Excellency and Lady Northcote will lunch with the Directors of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., at the Peninsula Hotel, 1 p.m., and afterwards pay an informal visit to the Company's new power station at Hok On.
Claims against estate of Edward Webb due.
R.E.C.A. Supper Dance.
Cottage Club Meet for Experienced Riders, 3.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Church, Weddings: 1.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.—Fowler-Bradbury; Haymes-Harris.
St. John's Cathedral: Wedding—Tomlinson-Poss.
H.K. Hotel: H.K. Police Dance in aid of B.W.O.P., 9 p.m.
Navy, Army and Air Force Dance at China Fleet Club, 8.30 p.m.
4-Tides: High 8.05 a.m. and 8.10 p.m. Low 1.25 a.m. and 1.13 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.12 p.m.
H.K. Interport Soccer Team leaves for Shanghai.
Rosary Church: Wedding: Rodriguez-Silva, 4 p.m.
Wedding: Quirk-Spencer.
Second Round of H.K. Golf Club Junior Championship due for completion.
Feast of St. John Bosco Celebrations at St. Anthony's Church, West Point.
Softball League.
Colony Ladies Tennis: Doubles Final at U.S.R.C., 3 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.
H.K. Football Assn. Council Mtg., 8.30 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. War Work 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal 8.30 p.m.; Service Dance, 9 p.m.
6-Second H.K.V.D.C. Camp ends. King's Theatre: Gala Premiere of "Juarez," 9.30 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, Timm Mtg., 1 p.m.
H.K. Football Referees Assn. Monthly Mtg., 8 p.m.
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, Social Evening, 8 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Badminton 8.30 p.m.
7-Chinese, New Year's Eve. Kowloon Cricket Club Dance. Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Gramophone "Recital" by Mr. A. Galloway, 9 p.m.
Chinese, New Year.
Chess Championship Continued.
Charity Football Match at Caroline Hill.
Y.M.C.A. First Aid Lecture 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal 8.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Wedding, Moss-Tonge, 3 p.m.
9-Charity Football Match at Caroline Hill.
St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.
Charity Softball in aid of B.W.O.P. Y.M.C.A. Badminton, 8.30 p.m.
10-Entries Close for Trinity College of Music, Theoretical Examination.
H.K. University Union—Charity Flannel Dance, St. Stephen's Hall, 8 p.m.
Cottage Club—Paper Hunt, 3.30 p.m.
H.K. Golf Club: Semi-finals of Stubbs Shield due for completion.
11-Claims against estate of Ronald Oliver Rutherford due.
Fanning Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwai.
Final of H.K. Golf Club Captain's Cup (1939) due for completion.
14-Charity Football Match.
15-Chess Championship continued. Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. Ltd., annual meeting at H.K. Hotel, 11 a.m.
Claims against enemy firms due.
16-Entries close for All-Day Tennis Tournament in aid of B.W.O.P. at H.K.C.C.
H.K. Tramways Ltd., annual meeting, 12 noon.
"Star" Ferry Co. Ltd., annual meeting, Jardine Matheson & Co., 11.30 a.m.
17-H.K. Jockey Club Annual Meeting—First Day, 12 noon.
R.E.C.A. Supper Dance.
19-Semi-finals of H.K. Golf Club Junior Championship due for completion.
Tennis Tournament in aid of B.W.O.P. at H.K.C.C. 10 a.m.
Claims against estate of Paul Lander due.
18-H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting—Second Day, 12 noon.
20-H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Third Day, 12 noon.
Claims against estate of Chas. Maguire due.
21-H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting—Fourth Day, 12 noon.
H.K.A.D.C. presents "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.

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12.30 Variety with Turner Layton, Elsie Carlisle and the Ballyhoolligans.

Vocal and Piano—I Want The Whole World To Love You (Bryen & Marks); When The Popples Bloom Again (Towers and Others)—Turner Layton. Vocal—I Still Love To Kiss You Goodnight (film "32nd Street"); Little Old Lady (Adams and Carmichael)—Elsie Carlisle with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—The Kute About Screw Music; I Got Rhythm—The Ballyhoolligans with Vocal Refrain.

Vocal—Elsie Carlisle Medley—Intro: Gertie, the girl with the gong; Home, James, and don't spare the horses; No. 9, a thousand times no; Dirty hands, dirty face; Little chap with big ideas; Little man, you've had a busy day—Elsie Carlisle with Orchestra. Vocal and Piano—Cabin on the Hill-Top (film "Walking on Air")—Turner Layton.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music by Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Black Beauty; Slow Fox-Trot—Black and Tan Fantasy. Fox-Trot—Awful Sad; Twelfth Street Rag. Fox-Trot—Moon Over Dixie; Jazz Convulsion. Fox-Trot—Trunkin' (from "Cotton Club Parade"); Cotton (from "Cotton Club Parade"); Fox-Trot—I'm Satisfied.

1.30 Reuter & Ebbly Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 B.B.C. Recording—"West from Bristol."

A programme devised and produced by Francis Dillon.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Compositions of Beethoven.

Fidelio—Overture (Op. 72)—Felix Weingartner conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Two No. 7 In B Flat Major, Op. 97 (The "Arch Duke" Trio)—Cortot, Thibaud and Casals. With A Coloured Ribbon (Op. 83, No. 3); The Bliss of Fensive Melancholy (Op. 83, No. 1)—Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by George Reeves. Creation Hymn—Chorus and Orchestra of the State Opera, Berlin.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Henry Jacques and His Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trot—My Heart Will Never Sing Again; Waltz—The First Quarrel. Tango—Lonely Troubadour; Rumba—When Bomba Plays A Rumba. Fox-Trot—Silvery Moon and Golden Sands; Quickstep—You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming.

7.21 Charlie Kunz in Piano Medley.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 12—Intro; Bir mir bist du schon; Whistling, cissy; Please remember;

Third H.K.V.D.C. Camp Starts.

22—Launching at Kowloon Docks. H.K.A.D.C. presents "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.

Chess Championship continued.

23—H.K.A.D.C. present "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.

St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.

Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders: Lecture on "Television" by Mr. P. V. Reveley.

Entries close of Dog and Cat Show.

24—H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Fifth Day, 2.30 p.m.

R.E.C.A. Annual Ball.

Entries close for Colony Lawn Tennis Championships.

H.K. Golf Club: Final of Stubbs Shield due for completion. First Round of Mixed Foursomes due for completion.

Claims against estate of Helen Adelaide Harry due.

25—H.K. Golf Club—Final of Junior Championship due for completion.

26—Third H.K.V.D.C. Camp ends.

29—Final dividend to H.K. and Shanghai Bank shareholders payable.

Chess Championship continued.

Leap Year Ball at Gloucester Hotel in aid of B.W.O.P., 9.30 p.m.

Central British Assn. Dance.

Bir mir bist du schon. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 17—Intro: Sunday in the Park; My Heaven in the pines; Goodnight angel; Love walked in; So little time; Says my heart.
7.30 London Relay—The News.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Studio-Concert by the "Tower" Orchestra conducted by Robert Monser.
1. (a) March—The Children of the Regiment (Piaf); (b) Valse—Luna (Klink); (c) Bitter Sweet—Selection (Coward); Interlude: My Dear Soul (Sandercock); In An Old Fashioned Town (Squire); (d) Titterton (Tenor) with Piano; 2. (a) Fantasia—Gypsy Life (Le Theatre); (b) Ballad Valse—Dora (Weller); Interlude: Full A Glass With Golden Wine (Henley & Quilter); Good Night (Shelley and Davis)—Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) with Piano and Cello—Obligato. 3. (a) Selection—The Bing Boys are Here (Ayer); (b) Singing-off Tune—Lady of the Tower.
9.05 Three Songs from Gilbert & Sullivan's "The Mikado."
The Criminal Cried—A. Davies H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield and Chorus. See How The Fates—D. Pancourt, B. Lewis, A. Davies, H. A. Lytton, L. Sheffield; The Flowers That Bloom In The Spring—Derek Oldham and Henry A. Lytton.
9.15 London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 London Relay—The Organ.
9.45 Harold Ramsay at the Organ. Six Great Melodies Intro: London-derry Air; Cherry Ripe; Annie Laurie; O Sole Mio. Rodeo March (Ramsay); Famous Tauber Melodies Intro: You are my heart's delight; In your arms to-night; Serenade; Villa; Impetuous; O Sanctissima.
10.00 An hour of Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—The Darling of the Guards; The Army Fell For Little Isabel—The Casual Club Orchestra. Tango—Black Orchids; March—A Ball in Madeira—Oskar Joest Tango Orchestra. Fox-Trots—The Boston Tea Party; It Ain't Right—Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra. Comedy Waltz—Im One of the Lads of Valencia; The Village Band—Ray Noble & His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—In A Little French Casino; Smile When You Say Goodbye (from The Show Goes On)—Jay Wilbur and His Band. Quickstep—My Gal Mezzanine; Slow Fox-Trot—Just Remember—Gerry Moore (Piano). Tango—San Fernando; Puncto Arenas—Helms Huppertz & His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—X Wassail—Lying when I Said I Love You; Midnight—Blue-Roy Smeek & His Hawaiian Serenaders. Waltz—Close To Me; Fox-Trot—Front Page News—Sydney Lipton & His Grosvenor House Band. Fox-Trot—Here's Love In Your Eye—Ted Flo Rito & His Orchestra.
11.00 Close down.

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Full Bulletin	5.00 p.m.
Transmission II & III—News Summary	6.45 p.m.
Full Bulletin	7.30 p.m.
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Transmission V—News Summary	7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin	8.30 a.m.

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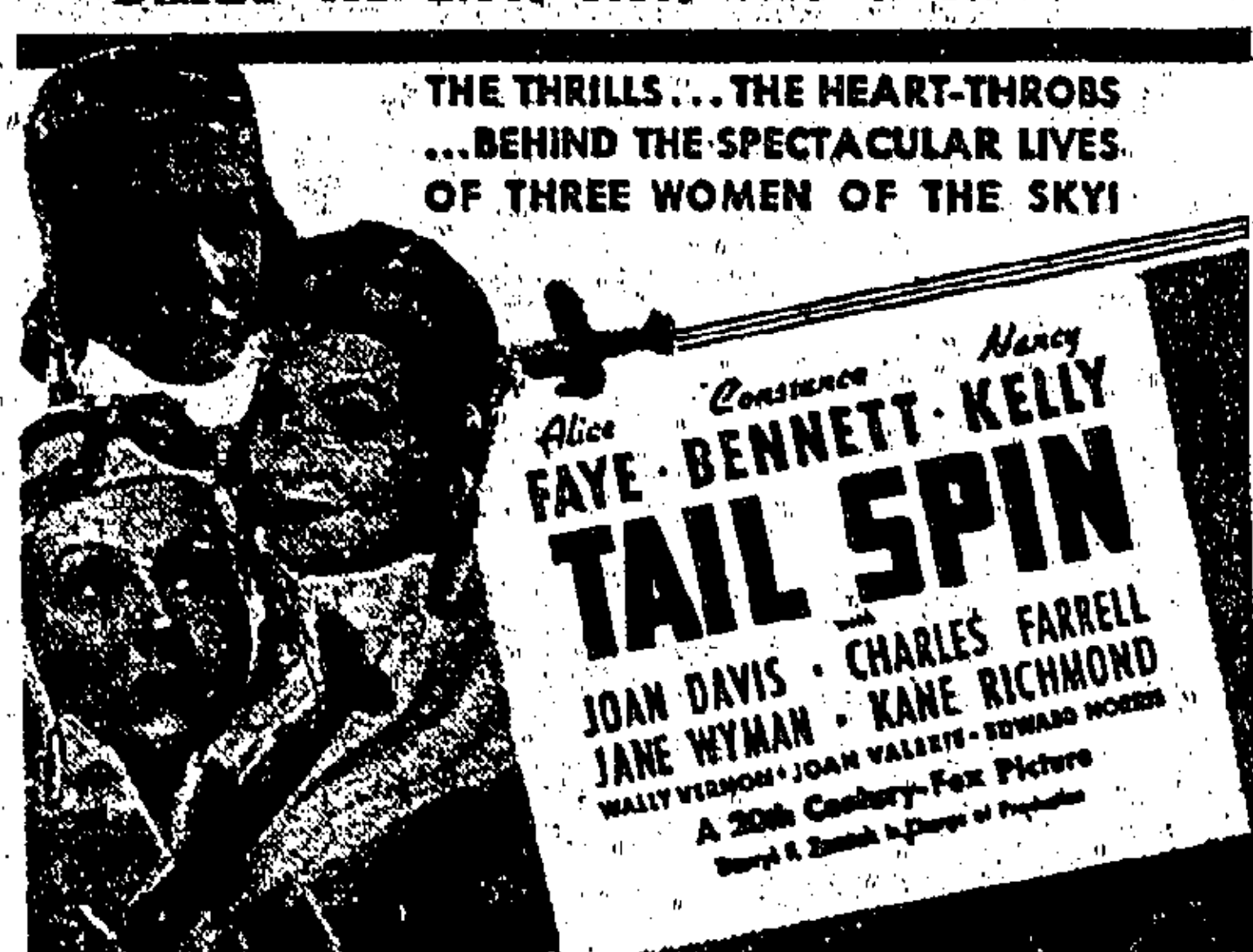
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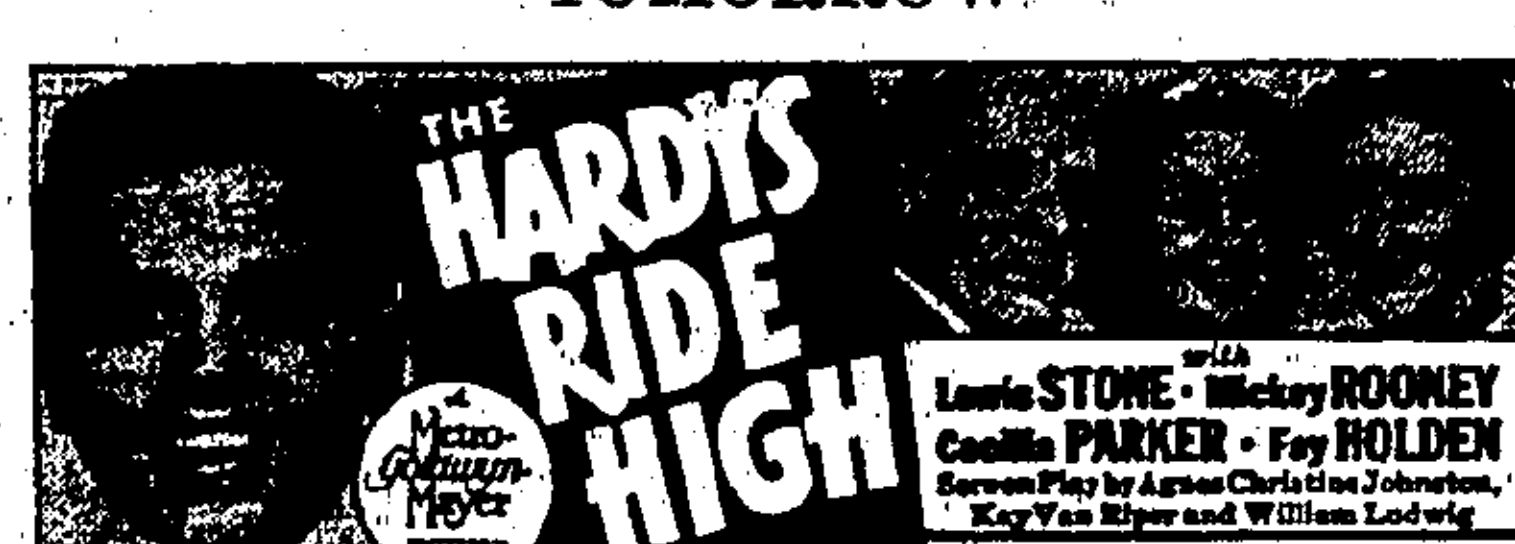
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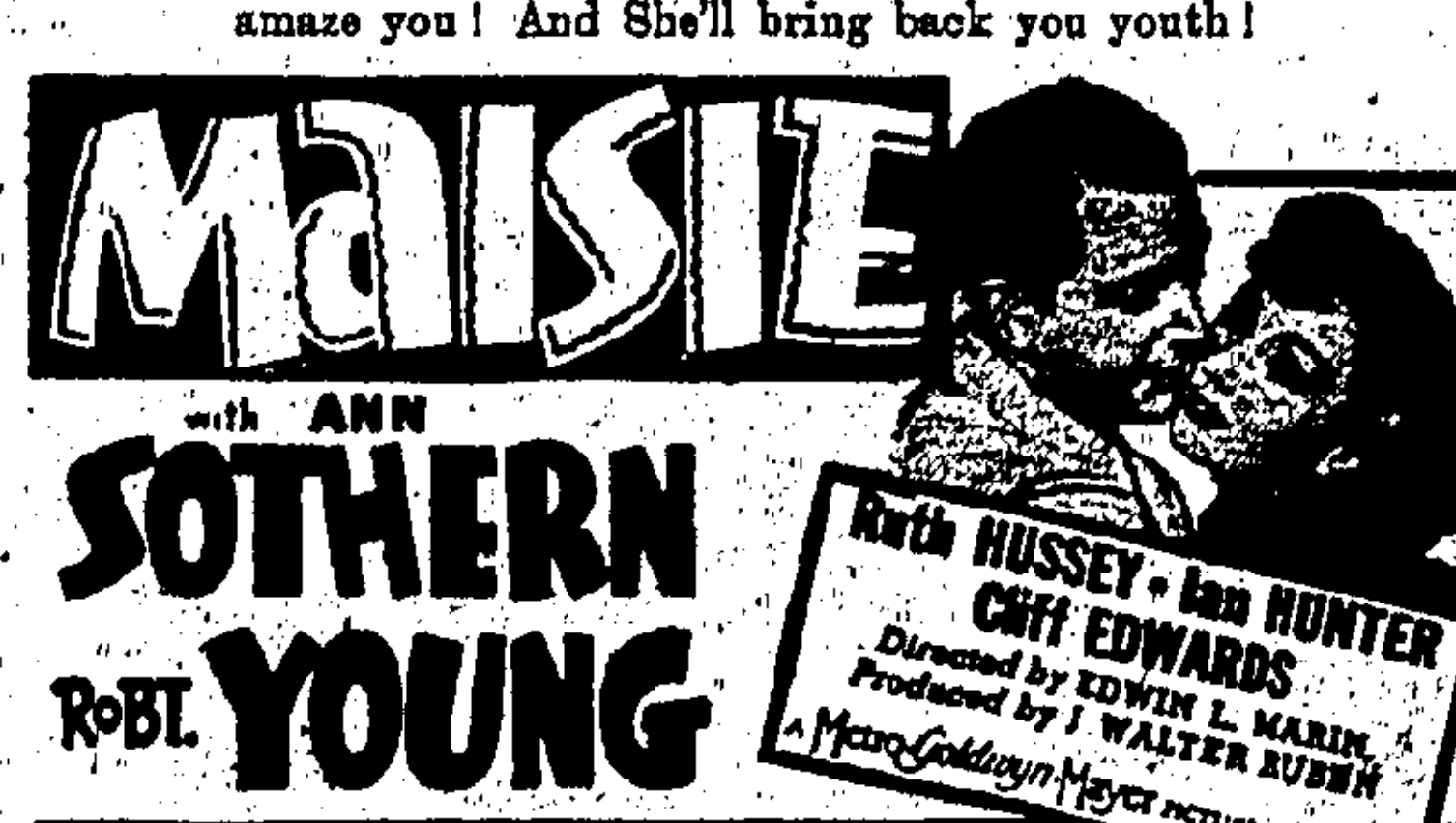


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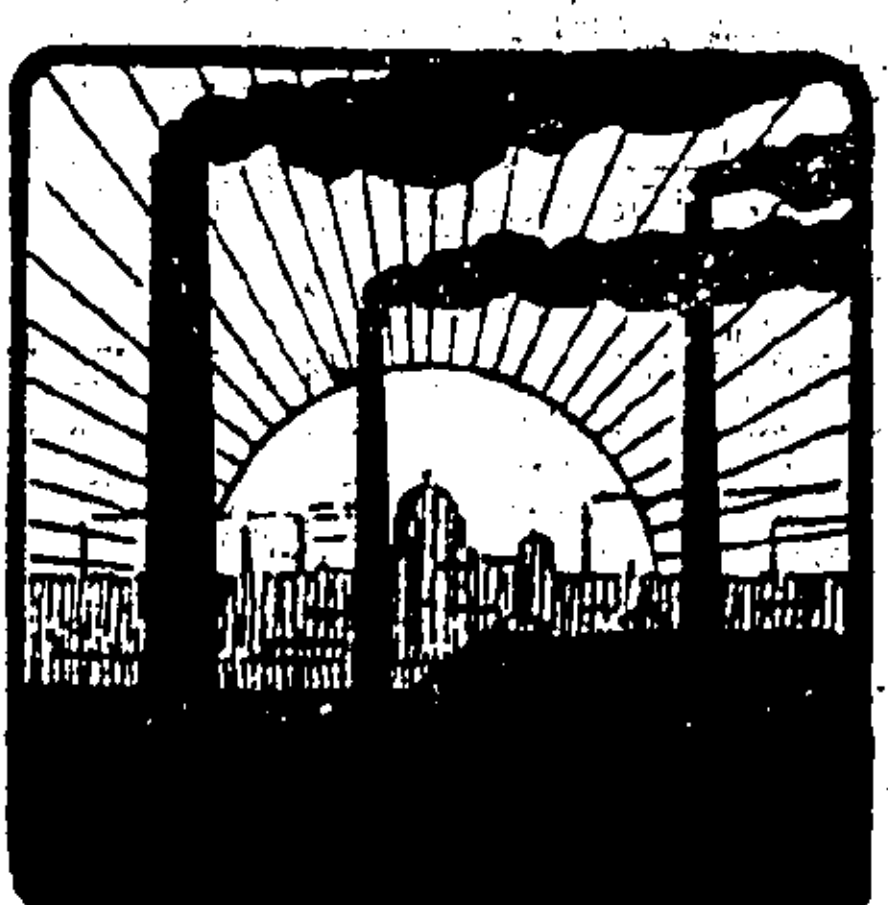
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TEN MILLION WILL DIE IN N. CHINA: URGENT NEED FOR RELIEF FUNDS

NEW YORK (Havas by Mail).—UNLESS EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS ARE FORTHCOMING, AT LEAST 10,000,000 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WILL DIE THIS WINTER OF STARVATION AND COLD IN THE FLOODED AREAS OF Hopei and Shantung in North China, according to Miss Joy Homer, who has just returned from a year's travel through fifteen of the eighteen provinces of China.

HINDU-MOSLEM TENSION ENDS IN RANGOON

RANGOON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The tension between the Hindus and Moslems in Rangoon ended yesterday, when the leaders of the two communities took part in a "peace procession."

From the beginning, the trouble had nothing to do with the Burmese and was started during a Hindu procession on the occasion of the Indian National Congress celebration of Independence Day.

Queen Chats With Wounded Seamen

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Wounded seamen, victims of Nazi torpedoes, bombs, guns and mines, yesterday gave graphic first-hand accounts of their experiences to the Queen, who privately visited a Sailor's Home in East London and chatted with several of the injured men.

MANY HOURS

One who had just been brought in from a torpedoed ship told the Queen that he and his shipmates were in a boat for many hours before picked up, and described how they had seen the U-Boat come to the surface, and how the German Commander had given them time to get their boats away before sinking the ship.

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Miss Homer, the 24-year-old daughter of Mme. Louise Homer, opera singer, went to the Far East in October, 1938, as representative of the Church Committee for China Relief.

Having seen, perhaps, more warfare than any other American travelling in China, Miss Homer says it has been her observation that the Japanese people are eager for peace. She adds that leaders in Japan who were NOT in sympathy with the military party had told her they felt that Japan economically could continue her war against China for no more than two years.

20 YEARS' PROGRESS

China is a united nation today, Miss Homer said, and the emergencies of war have brought at least 20 years' progress in the last two years. The recuperative powers of the Chinese people she found amazing, despite the tremendous needs for relief.

"In many part of North China, where I visited last Fall, the people already were eating the leaves and bark from the trees," she said.

"In Tientsin, at the height of the floods, I went with American missionaries poling small boats through the streets, and helping distribute food to starving people marooned by the waters."

"DIVINE CHILD" AS 14TH DALAI LAMA

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1 (Central).—Recommendation to the National Government for official appointment of Ling-erh La-Mu-Tan-Chu, or "Divine Child," as the 14th Dalai Lama, was decided upon by the Executive Yuan at its regular meeting.

Ling-erh, found in Chinghai under the personal direction of the late Panchen Lama in 1938, is described as having divine qualities and confirmed by the Tibetan religious and official circles as the reincarnation of the late Dalai Lama.

Echo Of Graf Spee Battle

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—For the Graf Spee engagement, the cruiser Ajax was given a tremendous welcome when she arrived in Plymouth. Spectators lined the shore five and six deep and cheered so loudly that the music played on the deck by the ship's band was completely drowned. Many Union Jacks fluttered on the sea-front.

ADMIRALTY WELCOME

An Admiralty telegram read: "Their Lordships are glad to welcome H.M.S. Ajax and congratulate you on your safe return after two years of service abroad, culminating in the memorable action against the enemy. They hope you will soon enjoy your well-earned leave."

SINO-JAPANESE ETHER WAR

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1 (Central).—China's war with Japan in the ether will embark upon a new era today when the Chinese Government's newly completed powerful international radio broadcasting station begins to broadcast to the world.

The station, built at an undisclosed place with Marconi shortwave machinery, uses the calling signals XGOX and XGOY. Its broadcast, which can be heard all over the world, are made 24 hour a day in 16 different languages including Mandarin, Cantonese, Japanese, English, French, German, Indian, Malay, Arabic and Dutch.

Broadcasts in Japanese are undertaken by a Japanese lady, formerly a well-known radio announcer in Japan, who has been married to a Chinese.

Former H.K. Resident

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Mr. William Chatham, C.M.G., M.I.C.E., at the age of 81.

Mr. Chatham, who was a former resident of the Colony, was in 1890, executive Engineer in the Public Works Department and was appointed Assistant Director of Public Works in 1898 and Director in 1901. He was also a member of the Executive and Legislative Councils. He retired from the Colony in 1921.

Mr. Chatham was the father of Mrs. Wolfe, wife of Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C. M. G. former Inspector General of Police, who retired on pension on April 9, 1935.

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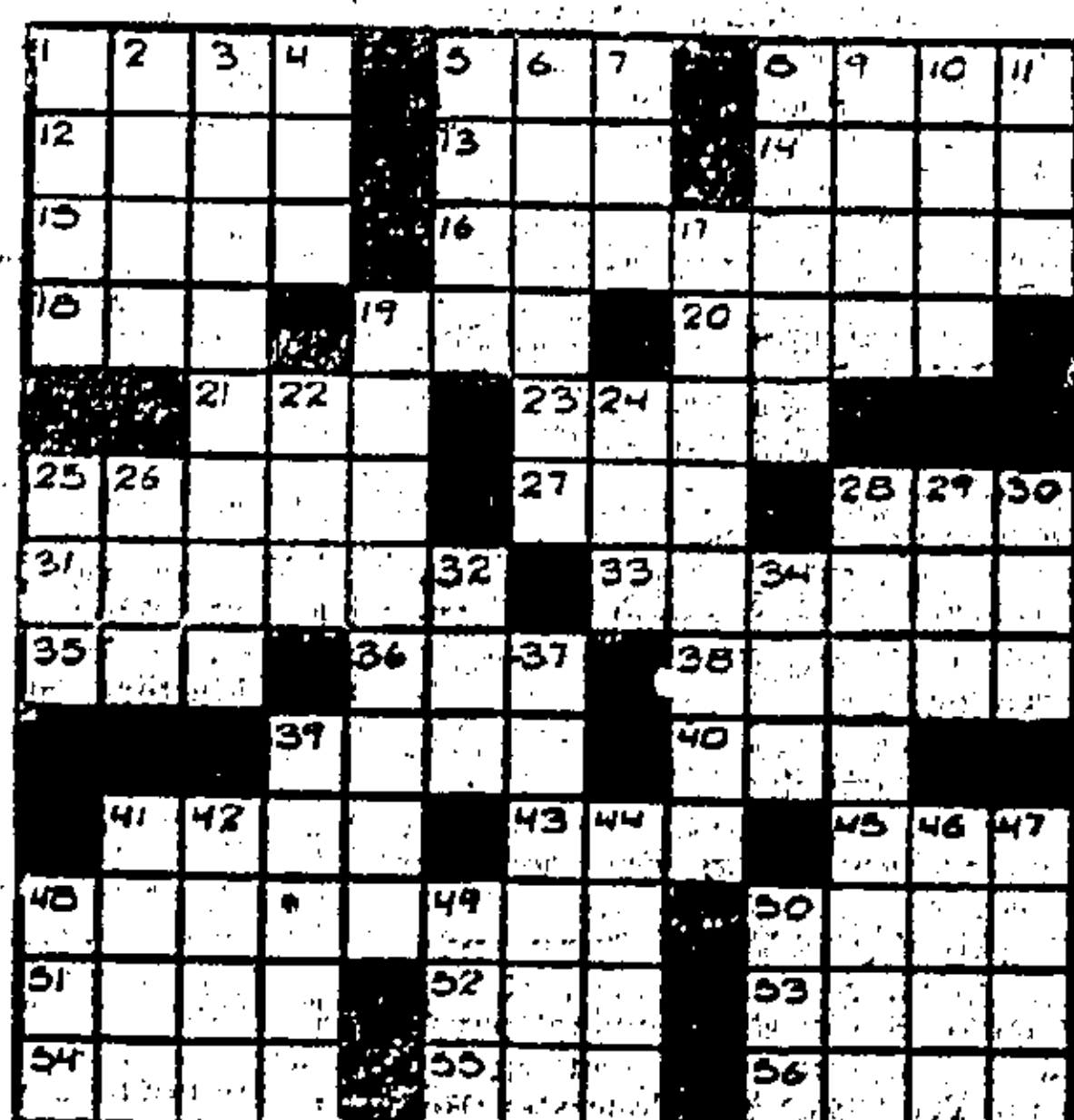
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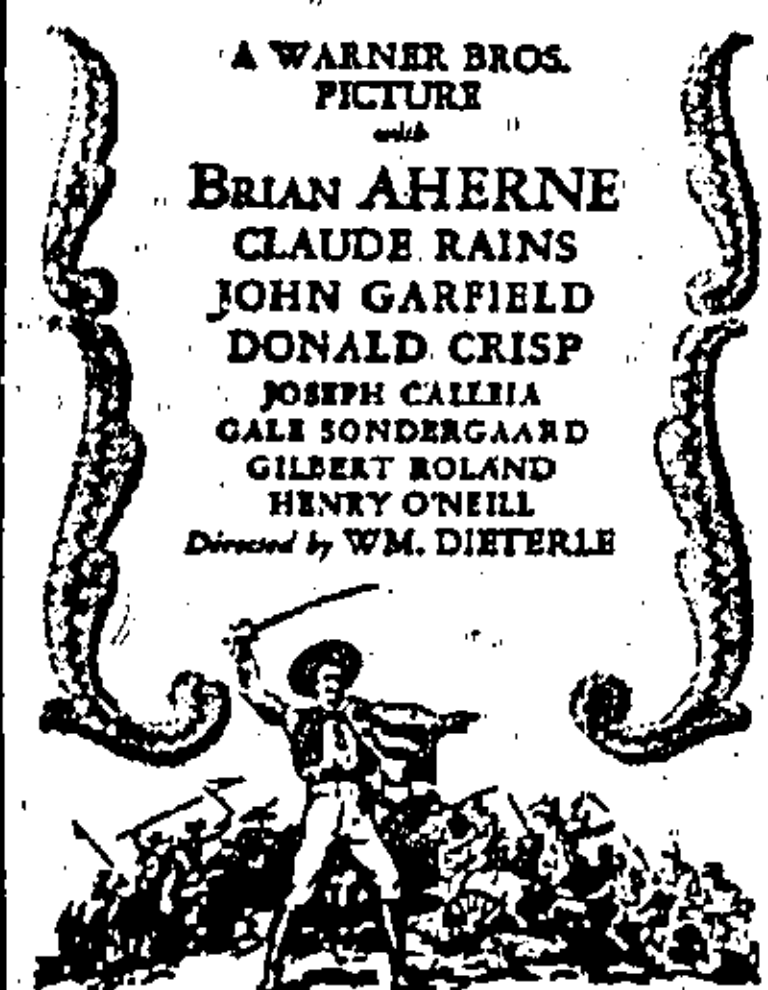
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HUI YUK-MUN, ALIAS AH NGAU, 20, a Naval Dockyard blacksmith, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with the murder of an 8-year-old boy, LI PING-FAI, on December 31, on the hillside off Kennedy Road.

H.K. UNIVERSITY
MATRICULATION
EXAMINATIONSFOUR HUNDRED
ENTRIES

Entries for the Hongkong University Matriculation examinations, which will be held from June 2 onwards, closed yesterday. Approximately 400 entries were received from local schools, which is understood to be a normal figure.

The number of private students entering for this year's examination is not known. It is stated that late entries in this section are usually considered if the authorities are satisfied that there has been good reason for the delay.

Scholarships to be awarded this year will include two King Edward VII Scholarships and Studentships to be awarded has not been announced by the Education Department.

REFUGEE AND SOCIAL
WELFARE COUNCIL

The Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council acknowledges the following donations for the month of January:—

Anonymous c/o St. John's Cathedral 30, Mr. Ng Bow Poo (F.M.S.) (schools) \$100, H.K. University Union Medical Relief Association \$100; Total \$230.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Winter Clothing, Chinese Chamber of Commerce; Firewood, Sandakan Chamber of Commerce; Freight on Firewood, Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Vegetable Seeds, Messrs Wing On Co.; Vegetable Seeds, Professor Lum; Men's Clothing, Police Department; Papers and Patterns, Miss Flint; 1,000 pieces Clothing for people at St. Peter's Food Kitchen, Chung Sing Benevolent Society; 50 bags of Rice for Food Kitchen, H.K. Association S. China War Refugees Relief Committee; School Materials, Miss E. S. Atkins; Woollen Garments and Toys, Miss Jennings.

POSSESSION OF
HEROIN PILLS

Pleading guilty to a charge of possession of 5,000 pills at Morrison Hill Road on January 17, two women, Fung Tai, 20 and Li Siu-fan, 17, were each fined \$1,000, in default, six months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday.

Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, who appeared for the defendants, pleaded for leniency.

Acting Chief Preventive Officer A. W. Grimmett prosecuted.

DRY JANUARY:
.02 IN. OF RAIN

A real dry January, with only .02 inches of rain, which fell on Jan. 16, according to the monthly rainfall report issued by the Botanic Gardens.

CHINESE LADY'S
NARROW ESCAPE
FROM DEATHCAR ACCIDENT IN
KOWLOON

Trapped in her car, as it plunged from off the main highway into the Kowloon Reservoir yesterday morning a young Chinese lady, Miss Fui Pul-tong, had a narrow escape from death. Miss Fui was en route from Shatin to Kowloon when the mishap occurred.

Fortunately for her, Captain Macrae and Macintosh-Walker, of the Royal Scots, were passing by in their car, en route to Kowloon within a few minutes of the accident, and attracted to the scene by the crowd of Chinese coolies who had gathered.

UNCONSCIOUS

Miss Fui was already unconscious when she was pulled out of the water, having struggled vainly to get out of the car. She was carried to the roadway by the two officers where artificial respiration was immediately applied.

Major J. Durran, of the Medical Corps of the H. K. V. D. C., came on the scene in his car on his way from the Volunteer Camp.

A motor lorry was stopped and the girl was placed on car cushions and brought into hospital. The car is still in the reservoir.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
IN THE COLONY

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories, during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 27, there were altogether 72 traffic accidents as the result of which two persons were killed and 27 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a Chinese male, age 30, died from injuries received while alighting from a moving tram and another, a Chinese male, age 24, died from injuries received when the lorry on which he was riding ran into a verandah pillar.

Of persons injured, 12 were pedestrians, who were either crossing the carriageway or playing games in the roadway and were struck by vehicles.

Of 72 accidents, 31 were collisions between vehicles; 20 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 21 accidents were due to other causes.

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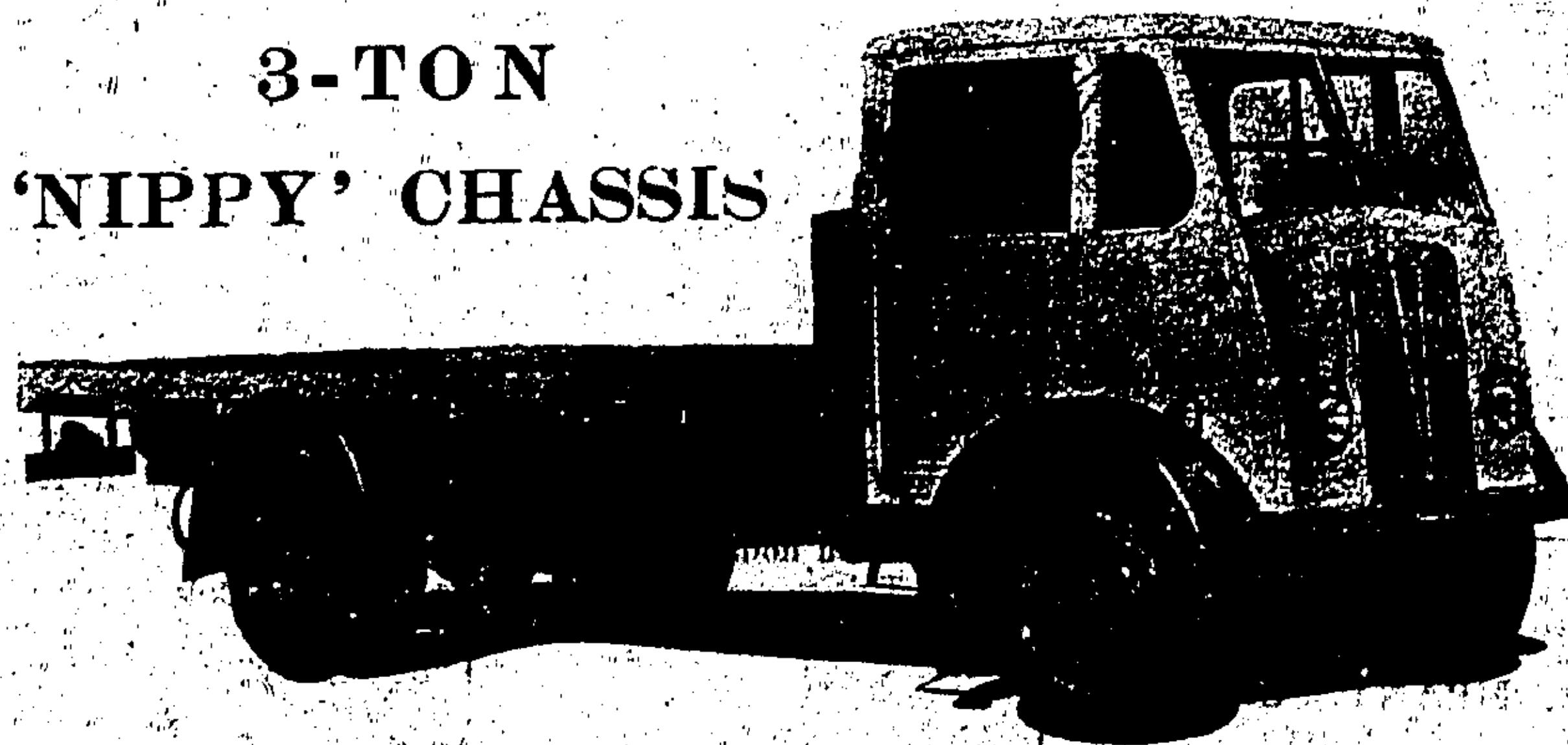
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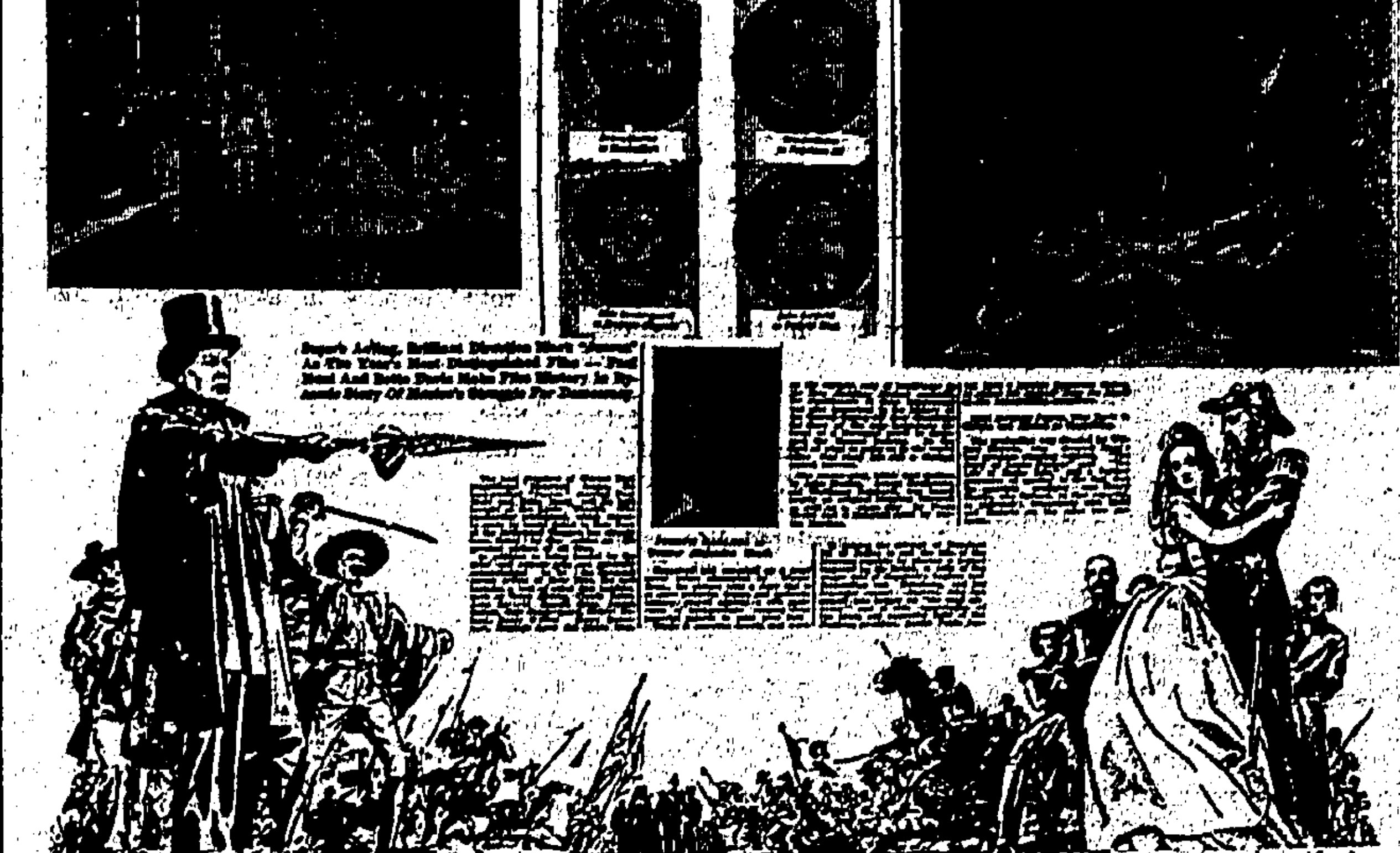
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HONG KONG WATER SUPPLY.

It is hereby notified that a constant supply of water will be given in all districts from 5.00 a.m. on February 6th. to 12.00 p.m. on February 8th., in connection with the Chinese New Year Festival.

A. B. PURVES,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department.
Hong Kong, 1st. Feb., 1940.



It is hereby notified for general information that the Government Stores Department moved from Bullock Lane, Wanchai to No. 249, Electric Road, in the King's Road District, on the 31st January, 1940.

W. J. ANDERSON,
Controller of Stores.

THE HONG KONG DAIRY SUPPLY CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 227 of the Companies Ordinance 1932 that a meeting of the Creditors of the Hong Kong Dairy Supply Company Limited will be held at the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming at No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, 4th floor, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 10th day of February, 1940 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated the 1st day of February, 1940.

(signed) A. G. DALZIEL,
Secretary.

BLUE FUNNEL GENERAL AVERAGE.

Cargo damaged as a result of the vessel having stranded will be surveyed at Holt's Wharf by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas from 10 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday 6th and 7th February. Consignees are requested to arrange for a representative to be in attendance at the Survey of their consignments.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1940.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 16th day of February, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 2nd to FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1940.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 15th. February, 1940, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 3rd. February to Thursday, 15th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 23rd. Jan., 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 5th day of Feb., 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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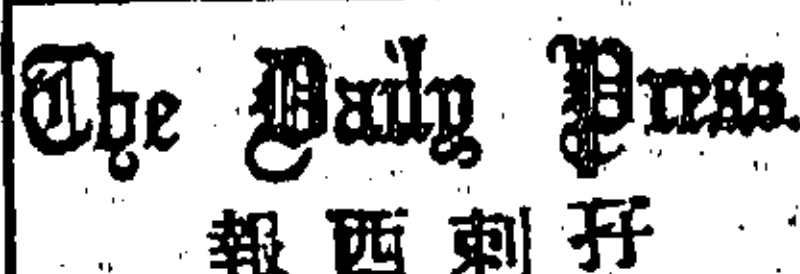
DEATHS
SLACK.—At Shanghai, January 25, 1940, Alfred Milton Slack, dearly-beloved husband of Louise Maxine Slack and eldest son of the late Major and Mrs. T. W. Slack and brother of T. W. Slack of Fort Worth, Texas.

POUET.—On Jan. 28, 1940, at the Hospital Sainte Marie, Mr. F. Pouet, Chief Health Inspector of the French Municipal Council.

BIRTH
YOUNG.—On Jan. 25, 1940, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Young (nee Symons), a daughter.

MARRIAGES
FERNANDES—CARION.—On Jan. 25, 1940, at the Church of our Lady, Balkal Road, Shanghai, Elyra Maria, eldest daughter of Mr. E. M. Carion, Senior, of Shanghai, to Clementino Antonio Fernandes, Shanghai.

HARMON—ALLAN.—On Jan. 27, 1940, at H.B.M. Consulate-General and at Union Church Shanghai, by Rev. C. W. Allan, Dorothy Kathleen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. B. Harmon to Walter Crawford, youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Allan.



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THE NEUTRAL, FRIENDLY WOLF

WHAT DID MR. CHAMBERLAIN mean when, in his speech at the Dorchester Hotel yesterday, he made a special point of speaking of Japan as "a neutral, friendly Government?" What did he mean when he said that such things as the disagreement over the Asama Maru incident were "not the strongest influence on nations or the hearts of men?"

DID JAPAN prove her friendliness in 1937 by the machine-gunning of the British Ambassador, the shelling of H.M.S. Ladybird, and the sinking of the "Tuckoo?" Did she emphasize it in 1938 by the closing of the Yangtze and the Pearl River, the advance into South China or the inauguration of the anti-British campaign? Has she shown goodwill on any occasion since then?

THE EVENTS of 1939 and 1940 had perhaps best be considered from the standpoint of "neutrality." Was Japan neutral when she bombed the Hongkong border, blockaded Tientsin, and insulted Britons as a deliberate act of policy—all as her part of Hitler's "war of nerves?"

Was she neutral when she proclaimed loudly that all the woes of the world were due to the existence of the British Empire and, in August last year, staged such a demonstration of force on the frontier that the evacuation of women and children from this Colony was commenced? On the spirit of "neutrality" manifested in the latest developments, and in Mr. Arita's speech itself, it is quite unnecessary to comment. The facts are plain.

AND FINALLY, where is the sympathy between Japan and Britain that lies in "the hearts of men?" Have the British people any sentimental illusions about Japan's robber war in China? Does sympathy for Britain have a place in General Hata's heart or the hearts of the naval gentlemen who apply their spare time to writing fantastic novels describing the victory of the Rising Sun in a future Anglo-Japanese war? Does not the disproportionate outcry over this very case of the Asama Maru prove what is really in their hearts?

THE PRIME MINISTER was, of course, right when he said that no one in England wants to fight Japan. He was right in pointing out that whatever view be taken of it, the stopping of the Asama, its aim was certainly not provocation. It is for these very

CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD KOWLOON BUS COMPANY LTD.: FIVE MEN AND A WOMAN SENTENCED AT SESSIONS

Conductor Who Betrayed Trust: Police Raid

THE TRIAL OF SIX MEN AND A WOMAN STOOD CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS CO., LTD., by the sale of forged tickets, concluded before Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. One of the defendants was acquitted and the others were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment.

The accused were Li Sang, Wu Wing, Ho On, Poon Tat, Wong Lee and Wong Wah. With them was Chan Tai, wife of first defendant Li Sang. She was charged with aiding and abetting, and with being in possession of forged tickets.

In addressing the jury his Lordship said that as there was not sufficient evidence of forgery or possession of a forged document, against fifth defendant, Wong Lee, it would be correct for the jury to return a formal verdict of Not Guilty on these two counts.

His Lordship also pointed out that not one of the defendants had attempted to deny that the tickets found were forgeries and said that the most important evidence had come from the mouth of the defendants themselves.

The jury retired for 20 minutes and returned unanimous verdicts of Guilty on all counts against all defendants except fifth defendant, Wong Lee, who was unanimously found Not Guilty on all three charges.

Before passing sentence, his Lordship addressed first defendant, who is already undergoing six months' sentence for possession of an unlicensed printing press, and asked, "Tell me, why do young men like you do foolish and criminal things like this?"

Li Sang: I was inspired by two men to do this.

RING LEADER
His Lordship: You did not take much encouraging. You are probably the ring leader. You are already serving a sentence of six months for possession of an unlicensed printing press. The sentence I now pass on you is 15 months' imprisonment with hard labour, the sentence to begin at the expiry of your present term of imprisonment.

Wu Wing, Ho On and Poon Tat were each sentenced to nine months' hard labour. Sentencing Wong Wah, his Lordship said that he (Wong Wah) had been an inspector in the company. This was a position of trust, and he had deliberately abused that trust. Wong Wah

was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

PRETTY LITTLE STORY
Remarking that the jury had not fallen for her pretty little story of innocence, and advising her to take some lessons in telling the truth, his Lordship sentenced the woman, Chan Tai, to three months' imprisonment. She exclaimed "Al yah" in a fairly loud tone as she was led out of the dock.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, prosecuted on behalf of the Bus Company. Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, was for the defence. The jury comprised: Messrs. A. M. Silva (Foreman), Wong Sheuk-lin, Lee Luk-kat, C. L. Gregory, S. V. Fong, Chan Yew-ho and V. Olafinsky.

Naming Li Sang as the organiser of the plot, Mr. Macnamara said that Li was a bus conductor and had already pleaded guilty to certain charges against him. On being dismissed from the company in July he arranged with Wong Ping, a printer, to print false bus tickets for him. The printing was done in a hut in Li Uk village.

TOLD POLICE PLOT
Wong Ping later told the Police about the plot to defraud the Bus Co., and a raid resulted in the arrest of the persons charged and the seizure of the machinery, several packets of forged tickets.

Detective-Insp. A. E. Carey told the Court of how the raid was carried out and the arrests made. Mr. Lee Yat-nok manager of the Local Printing Press, said that his firm had been printing tickets for the company and pointed out the differences between the genuine and forged tickets.

Mr. W. S. T. Louey explained the system by which sales of tickets were checked with way bills and despatched to having found one of the way bills altered.

Chan Tai said she knew nothing about the affair. She was a simple country woman and did not know that her husband was printing forged bus tickets in the house.



Mr. and Mrs. Leung Ping-fat after their marriage at the Registry yesterday. The bride was formerly Miss Lam Suk-tuen.

HELP IN FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS

ADD \$10 TO YOUR LIQUID ASSETS
SEND SLOGAN FOR OUR NEW COMPETITION

THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS is offering a prize of \$10 for the best anti-tuberculosis slogan sent in by a reader.

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The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press, Hongkong.

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Yours faithfully,

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SLOGAN:

THE CASE OF CIAN MAN-TUAN: REFUGEE VICTIM OF WAR

TO THE EDITOR, HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

Dear Sir: Cian Man-tuan, age 32, gentle-voiced, mild-mannered, bespectacled, is a refugee victim of war. True, there are many thousands of refugees wandering about Hongkong in pitiful plight, and it is not possible for any individual or group of individuals to help them all. Yet the case of Cian Man-tuan is one which should be brought to public attention, and he is one refugee, at least, whose story should be made known.

The son and only child of a prosperous rice merchant with offices in Saigon and Canton, he was educated in the Ecole Tabé in Indo-China, where he was born. He was taught French, which he speaks, reads and writes. At the same time his education in Chinese was not neglected, and he writes that beautifully drawn calligraphy so dear to the hearts of the schoolmasters.

There was a time when he wrote poetry in the Chinese fashion, poetry which was much admired by friends and family. And he was trained to know his father's business, so that when the latter died he took over the management.

Into the midst of this peaceful, well-regulated life came the Canton bombings of February, 1939. His home was demolished. His wife and three children were killed. Bin Nam, his oldest boy, aged twelve; Bin Truang, his second son, aged ten; and Bin Du, his six year old daughter, perished in that attack.

Dazed, bewildered, crushed, Cian Man-tuan wandered about for months, at last finding himself in Hongkong. Friendless, penniless, shy, hesitant, he was incapable of begging on the streets. He is so nearsighted that without his

glasses he could not walk a step—and this, too, would seem to be a handicap for one forced to plead for alms, since most people will be suspicious of a beggar with glasses! So he sold the gold frame of his spectacles, and thus was able to get a little food.

And now, lacking the aggressiveness that might have enabled a harder person to get by, for some seven months he has been sleeping in a back yard, huddled under these wintry nights under the scraps of bedding given him by kindhearted folks. Yet he has managed to keep himself clean, to wash his garment (he has just the one robe) and his bedclothes whenever someone will give him a bit of soap.

He is just beginning now to recover from the terrific shock of losing home, family, occupation, funds, all at one blow. He is ready now to make the first step toward rehabilitation. In Saigon he has numerous friends who will help him make a new start. But he needs help to get there.

Will you, for whom perhaps a kinder fate has been reserved, let him sink further into the morass of the down-and-out, without hope, slowly starving physically and mentally, while his training

CORRESPONDENCE

FIGHTING T.B.

To the Editor, Hongkong Daily Press

Sir,—Among the many "do's" and "don'ts" regarding the T. B. Campaign, I notice that during the last few years no notices appear in the local papers calling on owners of Chinese tenement houses to lime-wash their premises. This used to be done annually under the supervision of Sanitary Inspectors.

This lime or white washing is, I believe, one of the most, if not the most, effective way of sweeping away cobwebs and dirt from the walls, and acts as a very good disinfectant as well.

Why this very sensible precaution was done away with perhaps the Urban Council can answer.

N.A.N.

The many friends of Major J. F. Benoy, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General of the China Command, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill in hospital with pneumonia. His duties have been taken over by Capt. S. Burn, of the 2nd Battalion, Royal Scots.

education and abilities rot away. Or will you help at least this one individual to stand up straight again? A hundred dollars will get him to Saigon, started on the path toward the rebuilding of his life into that of a useful human being.

Send your donation for the Cian Man-tuan Rehabilitation Fund to the Editor of this newspaper; it will be acknowledged in these columns.

FOURS, ETC.

A FRIEND

Britain And France Will Fight On For Freedom

Audacious Assertions By Nazis Refuted

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The Prime Minister paid a high tribute to the courage of the British Navy, merchant seamen and fishermen in the course of his speech at a luncheon in London yesterday.

Mr. Chamberlain said that during the very time that Admiral Sir Henry Harwood was fighting his historic action in the South Atlantic, H.M.S. Salmon had torpedoed a cruiser in the North Sea.

At the same moment the British Navy was conveying Canadian troops across the Atlantic and yet other troops came from Bombay through the Mediterranean.

AUDACIOUS ASSERTION

One of the most audacious of the many audacious assertions of the German Ministry of Propaganda was that they had taken from us the command of the seas.

"It still remains true that the power of the British Navy is not only able to protect convoys with success, but they are increasingly being made use of by neutrals and they are also able to exercise, unhindered by the German armed forces, the tremendously powerful weapon of contraband control.

AGREEMENT WITH U.S.

Mr. Chamberlain mentioned the agreement with the United States of a little over a year ago, based on the principle of the most-favoured nation "and we mean when the war is successfully concluded to return to that ideal.

"We must guard against the vicious policy of economic nationalism and autarchy which did so much to upset the last great peace settlement. One of our foremost aims will be the restoration of international trade."

GREATER CONFIDENCE

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's speech, the New York Times says that of the two speeches, Herr Hitler's and Mr. Chamberlain's, the latter is the second speech which carries a greater measure, not only of conviction, but of confidence.

HAGUE SATISFACTION

THE HAGUE, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Particular satisfaction is expressed in political circles over Mr. Chamberlain's reference to the right of

NO COMPULSORY SERVICE FOR INDIA: LEGAL DIFFICULTIES

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Legal difficulties, which can only be surmounted by the British Parliament superseding the British Army Act as it applies to the British part of the army in India, has caused the abandonment of the scheme for Compulsory National Service for male European British subjects in India.

An alternative scheme for the organisation of national service is now under consideration.

BRITISH TRADE WITH JAPAN

EMBASSY DENIES LONDON PRESS REPORT

CHUNGKING, February 1 (Reuter)—The British Embassy here today issued the following statement:

"In a press telegram from London, under date Jan. 25, it was stated that while the British Foreign Office does not wish Britain to take advantage of the opportunity offered by the lapse of the Japanese-American Commercial Treaty to expand her exports to Japan, the Ministry for Economic Warfare and the Treasury feel that this policy should be guided solely by Britain's need for foreign exchange and additional markets.

"This report is entirely unfounded."

FAR EAST LIKE GAME OF POKER

According to a report, Sir Victor Sassoon, the Shanghai financier, on arrival in San Francisco, said in referring to the Far East, that it was a game of poker in which Tokyo holds the "full house" and Washington the "Royal flush."

The Y. M. C. A. will hold a Services Dance at 9 p.m. on Monday next, Feb. 5.

Asama Maru Incident Not An Affront To The Japanese - Chamberlain

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Speaking at Dorchester Hotel yesterday, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said: "You have no doubt read of the incident between us and the neutral and friendly Government of Japan.

"There is no doubt of the strict interpretation of the international law on the matter on which our respective Governments may take different views, but I am not concerned this afternoon with international law, because, after all, these legal issues are not the strongest influence in the life of nations or the hearts of men.

"Indeed, nothing would more distress us than that there should be in the minds of the Japanese people and the Japanese Government any idea that we had deliberately or intentionally exercised our belligerent rights, as we see them, with want of courtesy or want of consideration to the Japanese nation.

"We are bound to take all measures open to us to frustrate the machinations of a powerful and utterly unscrupulous enemy, but, certainly, the last thing we want to do is to affront the self-respect of a friendly nation with whom we want to live in peace."

NO AFFRONT

TOKYO, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Referring in the Diet to Anglo-Japanese relations, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, said it was regrettable that a British warship had searched the Asama Maru and taken off twenty-one German passengers.

"The fact that such an unprecedented incident should have occurred in our waters is profoundly regrettable for our Government as well as for the whole nation," said Mr. Arita.

Negotiations at present were proceeding with the British authorities and they were doing all they could to secure a satisfactory agreement.

Mr. Arita added that although some people suspected Japan intended to eliminate the rights and interests of third powers in China, the Japanese Government has repeatedly stated that it did not desire this elimination.

POLICY UNCHANGED

Mr. Arita said that Japan's policy of defence against the Comintern remained unchanged.

"We will continue close relationship with all powers who are signatories of the Anti-Comintern Pact," he said.

Referring to the American abrogation of the Treaty of Commerce and friendship with Japan, Mr. Arita said that Japan took all measures possible to protect the rights and interests of third powers and was trying to consider fairly all cases of damage suffered by citizens of third powers as a result of her military operations.

Banker's Confidence

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Mr. Rupert Beckett, presiding at the annual meeting of the Westminster Bank, said he anticipated an increase in bank deposits as the outcome of increased Government expenditure, but with the Government firmly controlling finance and avenues of investment, he did not consider such a rapid rise in deposits would occur as in the last war.

BRIGHT PROSPECT

Greater opportunities for the employment of funds appeared in prospect, not only as a result of the speeding up wartime machinery, but also as the outcome of increased overseas trade.

From a great part of the Western World, Germany was virtually ruled out as a trader and, although important neutral countries had more time to exploit opportunities, Mr. Beckett had high hopes that we should succeed to win further trade.

FULL CONFIDENCE

Relating this development to the banking sphere, it should mean a greater employment of funds in advances to finance these operations.

In the wider sphere of our national finances, we could hold complete confidence, provided our resources were preserved from waste and the maximum savings of the community were made available for the national effort.

COTTAGE CLUB CAVALCADE

Member of the Cottage Club are reminded of the Cavalcade to be held from the Club House, at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday.

U.S. ANTIPATHY TOWARDS JAPAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—As soon as Congress has settled the question of a loan to Finland, it will be faced with the problem of U.S.-Japanese relations. Discussion will centre round the resolution of Senator Key Pittman for giving the President powers to impose an embargo.

PRESS VIEWS

Before action is taken, it is likely that Mr. Cordell Hull will be asked to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to give his views.

The press express the opinion on that the "China Incident" provides legal grounds for tariff action, since there has been unquestionable discrimination against American trade in China.

BRITAIN ADHERES TO TERMS OF NINE-POWER TREATY IN FAR EAST

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Robert Morgan (Con.) asked the Prime Minister whether the Government, in view of the treaty negotiations between Japan and the Chinese Puppet Government, still adheres to the terms of the Washington Treaty.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that in their note of Jan. 14, 1939, to the Japanese Government, His Majesty's Government had made it clear that they intended to adhere to the principles of the Nine-Power Treaty and this remained their attitude.

THREE YEAR NAVAL PROGRAMME IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The House of Representatives Naval Committee has tentatively approved of a three-year building programme of approximately \$65,000,000 for providing 21 new warships, compared with 77 proposed in the original programme.

BERLIN, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The Official Gazette announces a law authorising additional members of the Reichstag to represent German nationals now settled in German-occupied Poland.

There will be one new member for every 60,000 such nationals.

Mr. Oscar L. Chance, of No. 160

Lai Yung Chi Street, second floor, was married at the Registry yesterday to Miss Mamie Lun, of the same address.

Rumania's Oil Problem: Allies Position As Regards Supplies To Germany Clarified

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Havas)—The Rumanian problem is assuming very great importance and a report on the petrol situation was expected here yesterday.

Before deciding on the policy towards Bucharest, Britain and France have entrusted experts with a thorough investigation of the matter. The situation appears to be as follows:

The German-Rumanian agreement provides for monthly deliveries of 120,000 tons of petrol to Germany. These quantities have never reached the Nazis of late owing to difficulties of transportation and also owing to the fact that most of the Rumanian oil companies are financed by French and British capital, and they naturally hesitate to furnish the enemy with war supplies.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL

In order to regularize the situation, the Bucharest Government decided to place the petrol companies under Government control.

Government circles in London emphasize that the following circumstances dominate the situation:

(1) Cordial relations exist between France, Britain and Rumania;

(2) In order not to complicate Rumania's already difficult position, Britain and France will not protest against the enforcement of the Rumanian-German trade agreement, but strongly insist that the treaty clauses should not be exceeded;

(3) Both countries are entirely free to exercise their rights as belligerents to prevent, by all the means at their disposal, even treaty deliveries of oil from reaching Germany.

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FLYING BOAT SINKS NAZI U-BOAT: SURVIVORS ON BRITISH WARSHIPS

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Details of the sinking of the submarine mentioned by Mr. Chamberlain in his speech yesterday, are given by the Admiralty and Air Ministry, who announced that the U-Boat yesterday attacked a convoy and sank the 5,000-ton British steamer Vacille, whose crew were rescued by an Italian ship.

The naval escort immediately hunted the submarine and dropped depth charges, but after a time contact was lost.

Later in the day, an Air Force Coastal Command flying-boat joined the Naval Escort Convoy in the search and found the submarine, which was proceeding on the surface apparently unable to dive as the result of the damage inflicted during the earlier attack.

Some of the survivors, who were in a rubber dinghy, were rescued and some additional survivors were picked up later from the sea by British warships.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

TIENSIN, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The Japanese authorities have agreed to allow five truckloads of food-stuffs to enter the British Concession daily. This will be effective shortly.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The police are endeavouring to trace the driver of a car who is said to have signalled, by lamp flashes, to assist foreign planes to find their way over the Province of Utrecht.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—The Ministry of Defence announced a new programme, including two minesweepers, two torpedo-boats, one submarine and smaller vessels. The Fleet Air Arm will be strengthened and 100 anti-aircraft guns will be acquired.

PARIS, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Prince von Starbemberg, former Vice-Chancellor and ex-leader of the Heimwehr in Austria, was officially gazetted an Infantry Lieutenant in the French Army, "A titre Etranger," which means that the Prince cannot command French soldiers, but only foreign units.

Investigation Into German Spy Ring In East Africa

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—Reports received in London by Commissioners in regard to the war efforts of the Dominions have caused intense satisfaction, says Reuter's lobby correspondent.

South Africa's readiness to assist the African colonies in danger of aggression and the rapid development of the land forces in South Africa are noted, also that South African planes which greatly assisted the Navy operating in that part of the world.

All racing pigeons in South Africa have been counted and listed and officials of all homing pigeon societies have been asked to supply a list of members and to state the number of birds each one owns.

The reports suggested the existence of a Nazi spy ring in Portuguese East Africa engaged in obtaining information from the Union. A watch was also kept on the importation of birds and recently the police confiscated a crate of homers consigned to a religious order. A vigilant eye is kept on persons in the Union suspected being Nazi agents.

CHRIST CHURCH MEETING

The annual meeting of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, was held at the Vicarage last night, the Vicar, the Rev. H. D. Rosenthal, being in the chair. There were about 20 members present.

In presenting his annual report, the Vicar named as the most important single event of the year in the Church's life the building of the house in which the meeting was being held. This was made possible by an anonymous gift of \$1,000.

In presenting to the meeting the statement of Accounts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1939, Mr. Rosenthal said the Income and Expenditure Account showed a credit balance of \$2,489.32.

Elected to serve on the Church Council this year were Major Penfold, Mr. S. Minshall, Mr. G. A. Goodbar, Mr. J. Scothcher, Mrs. D. Booker, Mr. A. E. P. Guest, the Rev. J. C. L. Wong, Mr. W. Sue, Mrs. C. G. Anderson, Mr. Andrew Cheung, Mr. E. F. Shea, Mr. R. Ashton-Hill, Mr. E. E. Low, Mr. J. A. Tarrant (Hon. Treasurer) and E. A. Lee (Hon. Secretary).

The four representatives of Christ Church elected to sit on the Diocesan Conference were Mrs. D. Booker, the Rev. J. C. L. Ashton-Hill, Mr. Tarrant and Mr. Ashton-Hill were elected representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Church of England in the Diocese of Victoria, Hongkong.

The Colony Interport soccer and rugby teams will sail for Shanghai today at 10 a.m.

WANG ASKED TO ANNOUNCE THE FINAL RESULTS OF HIS "PEACE" TALKS WITH JAPAN

Inauguration On March 15?

Special to the H.K. Daily Press SHANGHAI, Feb. 1 (Havas)—It is understood that Wang Ching-wei contemplates the solemn inauguration of the new Government in Nanking on March 15 and material preparations have already started.

H. M. Howell, of No. 1A, Chater Road, was fined \$2 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday for parking his car in excess of the time limit in Queen's Road Central near Marina House. For leaving his car unattended in Chater Road, Z. Velchsky, of the Jockey Club Stables, was fined \$5.

Belligerents' Attitude Towards Neutrals

LONDON, FEB. 1 (BWS)—THE PASSAGE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH WHICH IS EMPHASISED IN THE PRESS is that in which attention was drawn between the belligerents in their attitude towards neutrals.

Mr. Chamberlain said:

"There is not a single non-belligerent country that feels itself threatened by the enormous accumulation of powers at the disposal of the British command. There is not one which feels its independence in danger at our hands. There is not one which suspects us of coveting a square inch of its territory."

The Times says: "This is the overmastering consideration that we are entitled to ask of all neutrals, great and small, to bear in mind when inconvenience is caused to them by our conduct of war against an enemy who threatens the existence of states which are too small or too weak to defy them."

DESTRUCTIVE EFFORT

"Neutral nations, whose ships sail the seas round Europe, know that they have to set against inconveniences the fact that this

CHUNGKING, Feb. (Central)—Fifteen Chinese educators in Shanghai who joined Wang Ching-wei's "peace" movement under duress last year have jointly addressed a letter to Wang asking him to publish the final results of his "peace" negotiations with Japan, which Chen Chunpo, Wang's personal secretary, claimed to be different from the secret agreement exposed recently in Hongkong by Kao Tsung-wu, and Tao Hsi-sheng, erstwhile Wang's followers, says a Shanghai report.

They revealed that since they joined the "peace" movement under compulsion, they had been put under strict surveillance in the western district of Shanghai.

The western district of Shanghai, the base of the "peace" movement, they said, has been

converted into a place for the murder and abduction of patriotic Chinese and all the newspapers and periodicals which are intended to promote "peace" have actually become the mouth-pieces of the aggressor.

They said they had recently fled from western Shanghai after reading Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's manifesto to the Chinese people and army relative to the secret agreement between Wang and Japan.

"MADAME CHIFFON" FIRE VERDICT

That the fire, as far as could be ascertained, was purely accidental, but that the method of employing a heating lamp for keeping dresses from the damp was dangerous and likely to cause a fire when the lamp is allowed to burn for over 24 hours, was the verdict of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Coroner, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when an inquiry into the outbreak of fire in the premises of "Madame Chiffon," dressmaker, in the Gloucester Arcade, on Jan. 1, was concluded.

MONTREAL, Feb. 1 (Havas)—The death is announced of Sir Herbert Marler, Canada's Minister in Tokyo from 1929 to 1936 and subsequently Minister in Washington.

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WOMEN ARE TO WEAR ONLY 12 COLOURS. MEN—SIX

After pool suits, pool colours. Women are likely to dress in light clothes "for the duration." This spring and summer they will dress mostly in pastel shades—whether they like it or not.

COSMETICS AND HYGIENE

People who would indignantly repudiate any suggestion that they were careless about personal cleanliness often forget that hygiene should extend to the various articles used in the daily toilet or in making up the face. Dirt is not only distasteful, but dangerous.

Powder-puffs and pads are among aids to beauty which soon become grubby, and can therefore also become a source of infection. Unless you are prepared to replace them as soon as signs of grubbiness appear, they should be washed at frequent intervals in a bath of soap-flakes and dried quickly in the sun or before a fire.

GOOD SOLUTION

One good solution of the problem is to use cottonwool instead of puffs—remembering that the cottonwool should be left open to the air or only lightly wrapped in paper. It should be stored in a rubber bag or glass jar, and the bag or jar requires frequent washing with soap and water. It is just as well, too, to use pincers (cleaned often with alcohol) to pluck the cottonwool from the receptacle.

Toothbrushes are commonly neglected, although their function is such an important one. They should preferably hang freely in the air, or be put in containers which allow free access of air. The containers, including those used for travelling, should be cleaned with alcohol from time to time.

USE ALCOHOL

Alcohol should likewise be used at least occasionally to clean all glass containers for cosmetics—especially those used for travelling. Washing them with soap and

They must choose their clothes, they will find, from about 12 shades of the lighter range. Light fawns, greens, and beiges are expected to be worn most.

Men, Too!

Men, too, will find themselves restricted. Those who usually choose a quiet blue or a sober grey will have not more than half a dozen shade-ranges to choose from. Few men will be wearing brown, and most will be in blue or grey.

Reason—economy in dye-stuffs.

There has been a big demand since wars began for khaki, Air Force blue, and navy blue.

The dyeing section of the Yorkshire woollen manufacturing industry has therefore to turn fashion in the direction of shades more easily supplied.

Situation Better

But the situation is better than in the last war, because of dye-stuffs industry has developed greatly since then.

There is no need, however, for women to fear that they will all have to dress alike. Mr. Edward H. Symonds, managing director of Reville, the Court dressmakers, thinks they are too colour-conscious.

"I'm all in favour of cutting down the multitudinous colours," he said. "Twelve will be an ample range."

Future fashions will not be affected in the least, and dress designers will easily succeed in making each of their dresses and costumes different from the next.

water with a thorough rinsing should be a general practice.

Always make sure that the containers are completely dry before closing them; and if the tops have cork linings these should be renewed from time to time so that they may do their job properly.

What Hollywood Likes in Styles



Heavy white silk faille creates a striking evening costume worn by Carole Lombard, glamorous green star. Note the brief peplum at the new lower waist-line, the square-cut buttons detailing the bodice. The gown's swirling skirt features a longer-on-the-side hem line. At center, Miss Lombard is smartly clad for an afternoon jaunt in the country in a three-piece suit of soft wool suède cloth. Flared-out coat and fitted jacket are of beige and bias-cut skirt is rich brown. The ensemble is made complete with a brown-and-white polka dot scarf and brown reptile accessories. Miss Lombard is to be teamed with Brian Aherne in a dramatization of Dr. A. J. Cronin's "A Vigil in the Night." Casual comfort, both in styling and wool fabrics, Radio's "In Name Only." Over a yellow cashmere sweater is worn a collarless box jacket, faintly striped in yellow, white and green over a lighter green, the same shade used in the slightly-flared skirt. Chamol's gauntlets, luggage tan pocketbook and two-toned pumps of luggage and light tan, complete the ensemble.

Round The Shops

HONGKONG'S PRINCIPAL STORES AND MILLINERY establishments are always ready to serve their patrons.

"The customer is always right" is a slogan which they never forget and when an inquiry is made or a suggestion put forward, it is given every consideration in a desire to please and to satisfy.

The result is that, with never failing regularity, the shops in the Colony have something new and attractive to offer their customers.

THE HOME BEAUTIFUL:

The result of an enquiry from a shopper for tapestries met with prompt attention at LANE, CRAWFORDS and the new shipment of stencilled and tramed tapestry which this popular establishment has to offer this week will delight those with ideas of a home, beautiful. A large variety of designs for chair seats, fender stools and fire screens are available with accessories. Of special interest to the needlewoman is the wide range of wools.

PLEASING DISPLAY:

Such a varied selection of afternoon dresses and evening gowns as are on display at MAYO'S, in the Arcade, has seldom been offered to shoppers. The prices as shown on the tags seem to defy competition and the models have been turned out with a taste and chic to suit the most fastidious. In addition, Mayo's have a charming lot of hats and, in this department, are offering to serve their customers even further by importing any design or turning it out themselves if preferred.

SPRING FASHIONS:

The special sale at half price which RIVELLE, in the Arcade, has been offering her patrons has only two more days to run. There are still a few choice bargains left and these should soon be snapped up. But what should attract customers most this week at this up-to-date establishment is the new stock of fashions for the spring, which she has just received. Those who are contemplating something delightfully fresh and alluring to wear for the annual race meeting at the Valley, will find really attractive lines in afternoon dresses of silk and floral silk, most charmingly designed.

REME FOR HATS:

REME for hats! To judge by the stream of callers at Room 214, Asia Building, 2nd floor, "Reme" is the last word where hats are concerned. And she does turn them out in style—dark straws so attractive for the races and several other models which bring out that smart and well-dressed appearance. Reme

PREPARING FOR SPRING FASHIONS

British Colour Council's Edicts; Matching Furs With Hats

Already we are thinking about Spring fashions and spring colours are to be bright, as an antidote to war boredom, with a red sail in the sunset shade as first favourite. Gloomy shades from black to mauve have lost the top places; they will be low down on the list this spring, writes a Home correspondent.



ARTISTIC BLEND of light and shade in a portrait of Yvonne, the crooner at the Peninsula Hotel. The work was executed by Studio de Luxe, which is to be opened on Feb. 5 at Pedder Building, 4th Floor.

also excels in remodelling hats and copies any style to perfection. Patrons of Reme will also be interested to hear that she is expecting a shipment of millinery and novelties which should take shoppers by storm.

ART PHOTOGRAPHY:

Hongkong is to have a new photographic studio on Feb. 5, when the STUDIO DE LUXE opens its doors on the fourth floor of Pedder Building to the public. Photography is an art and Studio de Luxe has certainly brought their standard of workmanship to a level which evoked admiration from those who inspected some examples of their craft in the show windows of the Grand Dispensary. The studio displayed three excellent examples of photographic art, but the most striking of them was the studio portrait of Yvonne, the crooner at the Peninsula Hotel. Executed in a delicately tinted style, the portrait showed an amazing blend of light and shade as the reproduction on this page will show. The Studio de Luxe is undoubtedly

The new shades are to be launched shortly by the British Colour Council.

In addition to the shade known officially as a Breton red, women will wear Greys, very important in the spring scheme; pastel tones, including a delicate green, maize and blue; yellow, a lemonish-green shade; browns, making a comeback this spring—usually autumn shades.

The only colours with a war-time influence are actually a year old but remain fashionable. They are Royal Air Force blue and Legion d'Honneur red. No new shades have war names. The war atmosphere is being avoided as much as possible in fashion, an official of the Council stated.

WAR CONDITIONS

War conditions have not prevented the Council giving its lead on colours to dyers and textile manufacturers all over the world. It works eight months ahead.

Shortly it will send out the first of the colour ranges for next autumn to its members in the fashion trades. We are carrying on even more actively than in peace time, because the influence of Paris fashions is not so strong.

The Council flew a colour range to Australia. American manufacturers are looking to London for guidance on colour fashions. A specially prepared colour range was sent to leading leather manufacturers in the United States.

FURS POPULAR

Meantime we are going on our drab way and at the present time furs with hats to match are popular.

It is with much sadness that lovers of beautiful furs will learn that Revillon Freres, the well known furriers in Regent Street is closing down, hence the bargains which they are advertising. Many coats are being sold at ridiculously cheap prices and are going rapidly in spite of the fact that income tax is to be paid this month.

In the first rank of photographers and will assuredly merit the patronage of the public.

NEW SHIPMENT

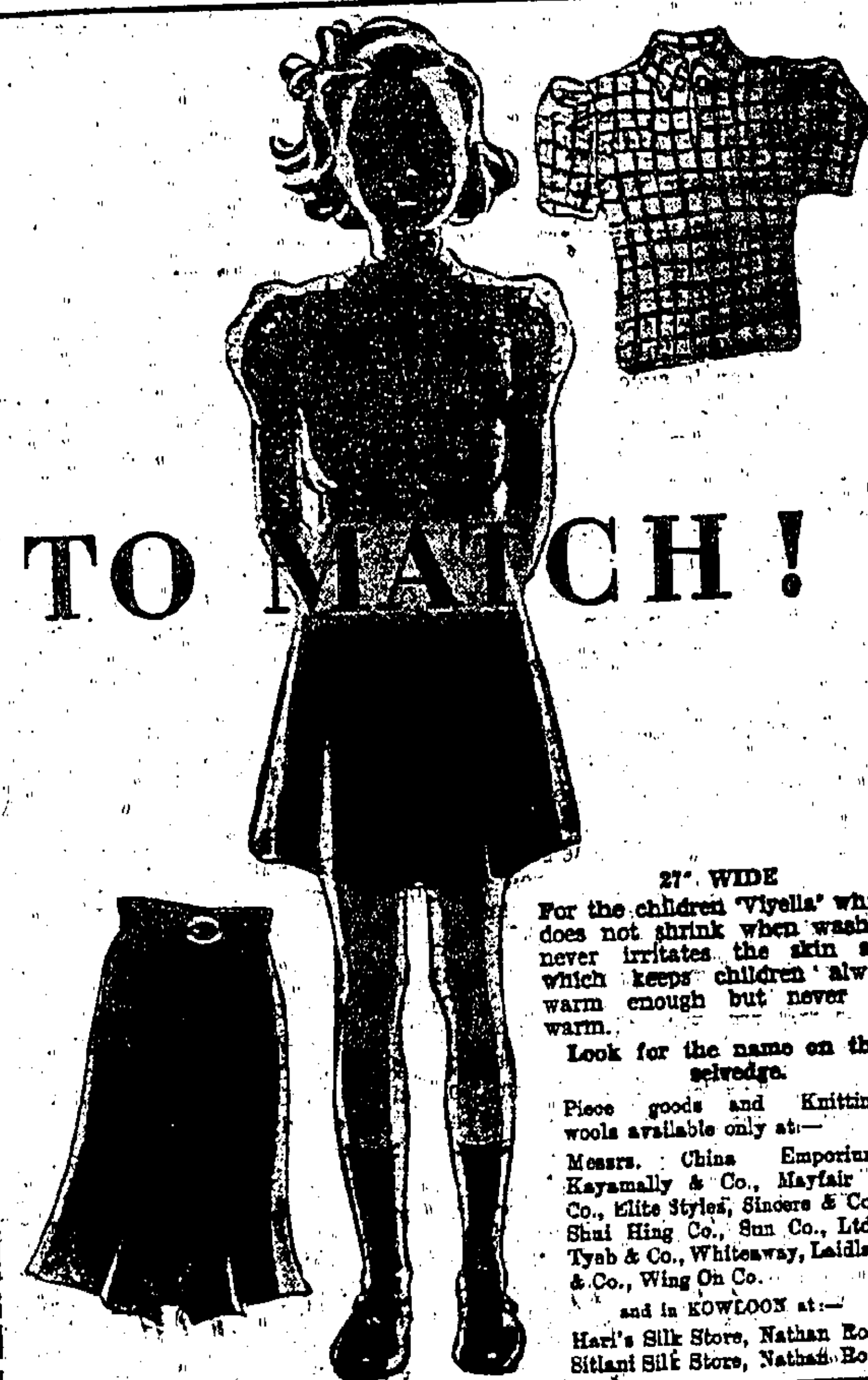
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HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Thursday, Feb. 1, 1940.
Cements 250 \$18.50
Demonstrations 2,500 Pa. 0.124

STOCK EXCHANGE: LACK OF BUYERS

LONDON, Feb. 1. (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange yesterday, apart from gilt-edgeds and home rails which continued quietly to improve, the markets mostly eased in the absence of buying interest, though losses were small in

CHINA HAS USED \$14,490,000 OF U.S. CREDIT

WASHINGTON, (Havas by Mail).—China has used a total of \$14,490,000 of the \$25,000,000 credit opened to it by the Import-Export Bank through the Universal Trading Corporation, it was announced here by Federal Loan Administrator Jesse Jones.

Of this sum \$2,325,000 has been repaid as a result of wood oil import accounts. In most cases, consisting of only a few pence' Wall Street was steady.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY 1. FEB.							
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
Banks							
			H.K. Banks				
			Do. (Col. Reg.)				
			Do. (Loc. Reg.)				
			Chartered Bank				
			Mercantile Bk.				
			Mercantile Bk. "C"				
			Bank of East Asia				
			N. C. & S. Bank				
			Insurance				
			Canton Insurance				
			Union Insurance				
			Underwriters				
			H.K. Fire				
			Shipping				
			Douglas				
			Steamboats				
			Indo-China (Pref.)				
			Indo-China (Def.)				
			Shells				
			Waterboats				
			Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
			H.K. & K. Wharves				
			Providents				
			Providents (new)				
			H.K. & W. Docks				
			Do. (new)				
			Shanghai Docks & New Engineering & Mining				
			Kailans				
			Banks				
			Venezuela Gold Fide				
			Hong Kong Mines				
			Land, Hotels and Buildings				
			H.K. Hotels				
			H.K. Lands				
			Do. 49, Debencture				
			Shanghai Lands & H.K. Realities				
			Hampshire				
			Chinese Estates				
			Cotton Mills				
			Ewo (S.)				
			Sh'hai Cottons (S.)				
			Zong Sings (S.)				
			Wing On Textiles (S.)				
			Public Utilities				
			Tramways				
			Peak Tram (old)				
			Peak Tram (new)				
			Star Ferry				
			Ymat Ferry				
			Do. (new)				
			China Lights (O)				
			China Lights (New)				
			China Lights R.				
			H.K. Electric				
			Macao Electric				
			Sandakan Light				
			Telephones (old)				
			Telephones (new)				
			Tramways				
			Tramways (pref.)				
			Industrials				
			Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.				
			Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.				
			Canton Iron				
			Ropes				
			Miscellaneous				
			Dairy Farm (Old)				
			Dairy Farm (New)				
			Ob. S. Wainman				
			Constructions (old)				
			Constructions (new)				
			Lane Crawfords				
			Nanyang Tobacco				
			Sinocure				
			Ch. G. S. 12204 Sds.				
			H.K. Gov. 42 Loans				
			H.K. Gov. 42 Loans				
			H.K. Wing On				
			H.K. Wing On				
			Vibro Filing				
			Margman Inv. (Loc.)				
			Margman Inv. (H.K.)				
			Wm. Porells				
			Sales to Shanghai				

CONTRABAND CONTROL

Economic Ministry Figures

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The Ministry of Economic Warfare states that there were 29 neutral ships in United Kingdom contraband control bases on Tuesday, of which 18 had been there for five days or less.

107 SHIPS

During last week the cargoes of 107 ships arriving since Jan. 20 and 31 outstanding cargoes were considered.

In 84 cases the entire cargoes were released. Sixty-four ships were dealt with under the system of considering the ship's papers before the arrival of the vessels and in 51 cases the ships concerned were released after the formal checking of papers.

The cargoes examined included those of 41 Dutch, 25 Norwegian, 21 Italian, 8 Belgium, 7 Greek, 7 Swedish and 5 United States ships.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The market is listless and idle.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, \$1370.

Docks, \$20.90

Providents, \$4.40.

Hotels, \$5.05.

Yamat Ferry, \$24.

Telephones (Old), \$24.

Watsons, \$8.90.

Entertainments, \$6.90.

SELLERS

Ropes, \$6.

Dairy Farms (Old), \$22.

SALES

Union Ins., \$465.

Docks, \$21.

Cements, \$18.

Dairy Farms (Old), \$22.

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LIBERAL TRADE POLICY NEEDED

U.S. Comment On Premier's Speech

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's speech, expressed confidence that there will be universal acceptance of the principles of a liberal trade policy in the not distant future, with the nations turning to some specific programme, like the United States reciprocal trade programme.

Mr. Hull added that the primary purpose of reciprocal trade arrangements is to keep important nations from being swept into economic totalitarianism.

MATTER OF SERIOUS CONCERN

Mr. Cordell Hull announced that every effort would be made to obtain modification of British policy of stopping imports of American tobacco.

Mr. Hull was replying to a letter protest at the stoppage from the Danville (Virginia) Chamber of Commerce.

He added that the problems confronting American growers as a result of the suspension was "naturally a matter of serious concern."

Gold 23s, Batong Buhay 013s, Big Wedge 20b, Coco Grove 14b, Consolidated Mines 004s, Demonstration 13s, I.X.L. 39b, Ipo Gold 124b, Ilogon Mining 28s, Masbate Consolidated 114b, Mine Operations 104b, North Gamarines 11s, Paracale Gummaus 224s, San Mauricio 82s, Surigao Consolidated 174b, Suyoc Consolidated 13b, Syndicate Investment 025b, United Paracale 304s, Mindanao Motherlode 094b.

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SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Jan. 31 (Reuter).

Silver—Little speculative buying.

Small offerings. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady. With small buyers at the rate and sellers holding off.

Spot, 21-3/8d.

Forward, 21-3/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Jan. 31 (Reuter).

Silver, Official, 34-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 31 (Reuter).

Market—Steady. Offtake 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 57-06

Feb. 3 Settlement 57-13

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, Jan. 31 (Reuter).

Jan. 19 Jan. 24

Notes in circulation

(including Notes held in the Bank- ing Department)..... 25,159 25,111

Rupee Coin and Bul- lion in India 6,132 6,084

Gold Coin and Bul- lion in India 4,154 4,154

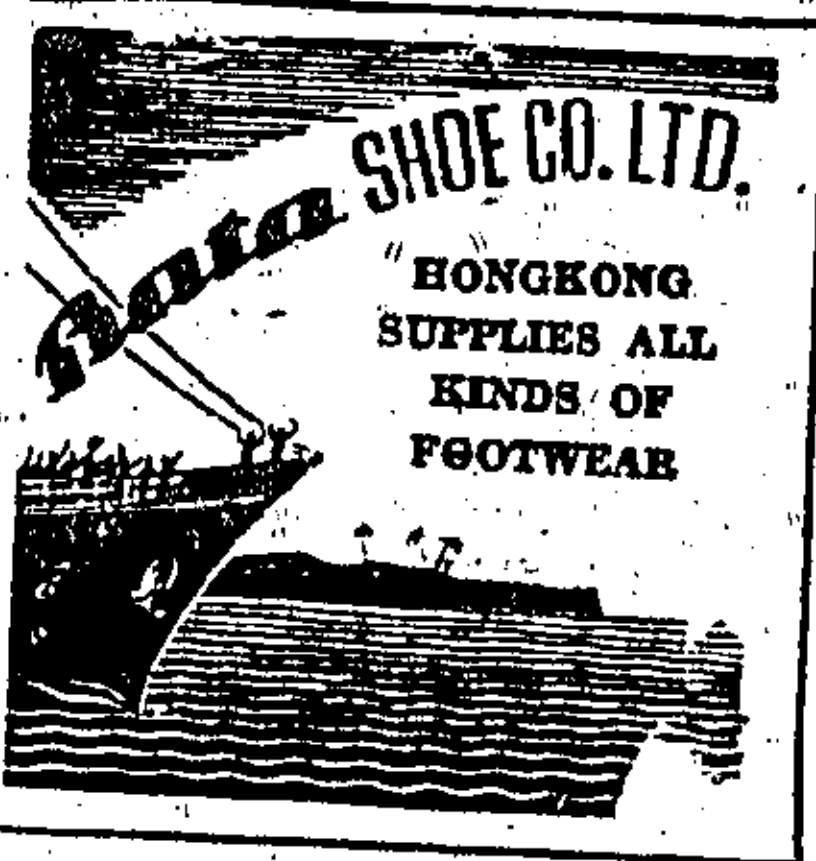
Securities (British Government) 10,750 10,750

Securities (Indian Government) 3,834 3,834

Mar. 4 Settlement 57-06

Apr. 3 Settlement 57-13

—Nominal



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London, Jan. 31 (Reuter).

Standard, Cash 237-1/2 237-3/4

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Standard, 6 months 237-1/2 237-3/4

Standard, 12 months 237-1/2 237-3/4

Standard, 24 months 237-1/2 237-3/4

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 1, 1940

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 13/16
Bank Bills on demand 1/3 13/16
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 5/32

On Shanghai:—
On demand 308

On Singapore:—
On demand 52 1/2

On Japan:—
On demand 104 1/4

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 52 1/8
On demand 52 1/8

On New York:—
Bank Bills on demand 24 5/8
Credits, 60 days sight 25 1/4

On Batavia:—
On demand 45 7/8

On Paris:—
Bank Bills on demand 1/85
Credits 4 months sight 1/40

On Saigon:—
On demand 108 1/4

On Manila:—
On demand 49 1/4

On Bangkok:—
On demand 511/4

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/33/4
Bar Silver per oz. 51 3/8

Market Report

FROM BOZA BROS.

Silver prices rose yesterday to the extent of 5/16 for Ready and 7/16 for Forward, the quotations being 213/8 for both deliveries.

Silver advances reported Speculators as having bought. The market was steady. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 399 1/2.

Market

Quiet.

Sterling

There were sellers at 1/27/8

February/April, buyers at 1/25/16

Cash and 1/229/32 February.

U.S. Dollars

Sellers at 24 3/4 February, buyers

at 24 7/8 Cash and 24 13/16

February.

Shanghai Dollars

At the opening there were sellers

at 318 for Spot and closed, with

sellers at 326 1/2 for Spot.

Shanghai Market

Easy. Sterling opened with sellers

at 439/84 for Spot. The market

closed at Noon with sellers at

435/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened

with sellers at 7 1/2 for Spot and

closed at Noon with sellers at

7 9/16 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was dull in the

afternoon.

Sterling

There were sellers at 1/27/8

February/April, buyers at 1/25/16

16 Cash and 1/229/32 February.

U.S. Dollars

There were sellers at 24 3/4 February

buyers at 24 7/8 Cash and

24 13/16 February.

Shanghai Dollars

There were sellers at 326 1/2, at

the opening and the highest rate

touched was 332. At the close

there were sellers at 330, buyers

bidding 331 for Spot.

Shanghai Market

Sterling opened with sellers at

435/84 for Spot and at the close

there were sellers at 429/64 for

Spot. U.S. Dollars, 7 9/16 sellers

at the opening and at the close

sellers were quoted at 7 13/32.

Market easy.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 1 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates

London 0/4-1/4

New York 7-1/16

Japan 29-7/8

India 23-1/2

Paris 3-12

Hongkong 28-3/8

Sellers

Opening Closing

Spot 0/4-1/4 0/4-29/64

Feb. 0/4-19/32 0/4-7/16

Mar. 0/4-3/8

U.S. Dollars

Spot 7-23/32 7-13/32

Feb. 7-5/8 7-3/8

Mar. 7-1/4

Market:—Quiet.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/4-7/16.

U.S. Dollars, 7-3/8.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's

rate on London at 10 a.m.

today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 12-3/4

per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Jan. 31 (Reuters).

Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 90-0-0.

New York Exchange

New York, Jan. 31 (Reuters).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate).

3.99-1/4.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Jan. 31 (Reuters).

T.T. on Japan, 79-1/4.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, January 31.				
SINGAPORE RUBBER	Previous Closing	January 31. Opening	Buyers	Change
S P O T	38-1/2	37 cts	37 cts	up 1/2
APRIL-JUNE	34-3/4	35-1/4	35-5/8	up 7/8
JULY-SEPT.	33-7/8	34-3/8	34-1/2	up 5/8
OCTOBER				

The market was steady but quiet.

Previous close Today's close

Buyer Buyer Change

11-13/16 11-7/8 up 1/16

11-3/4 11-3/4 unch.

11-5/16 11-3/8 up 1/16

NEW YORK COTTON: The rally attracted Southern selling and there was quite a bit of realizing. There was some uneasiness due to the uncertainty of the farm legislation and the irregularity of the stock markets.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The steadiness of the market is reflecting strength abroad. Domestic buyers are apprehensive over potential supplies should the recent heavy shipping losses continue at the same rate. Large export sales of tires, notably to China, are reported.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Low foreign advices, with a report of better crop conditions in the South-West induced further liquidation. Buying power was limited and needs new inspiration to maintain an advance in prices.

NEW YORK HIDES: The statistics are very satisfactory and patient accumulation is advisable.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 145.63; Today's close, 145.33; Change, off 30.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	10.77	10.63	10.65	.03 off
New York Rubber, Mar.	18.85	18.73	18.75	.10 up
Chicago Wheat, May	97 1/2	97 1/8	97 1/8	.03 off
Chicago Corn, May	58 1/2	58 1/4	58 1/4	.02 off
New York Hides, Mar.	13.90	13.75	13.72b	.17 off
NEW YORK COTTON				
March	10.68/68	10.73/73	10.65/65	.03 off
May	10.44/44	10.44/44	10.33/33	.05 off
July	10.10/10	10.10/10	10.00/00	.05 off
October	9.45/45	9.45/45	9.45/45	unch.
December	9.37 N	9.47/47	9.27 N	.08 off
January	9.33 N	9.42b/42a	9.27 N	.08 off
Spot	10.82 N		10.79 N	.03 off

Total sales yesterday:—67,600 bales.

First Notice Day for March Cotton—27/2—Last Notice Day—15/3

NEW YORK RUBBER

March 18.65/67 18.75/73 18.75/79 .10 up

May 18.18/18 18.23b/35a 18.32/35 .14 up

July 18.05/06 18.06b/20a 18.15b/20a .10 up

September 17.89 B 18.05b/08a .18 up

December 17.72 B 17.85b/90a .13 up

Total sales for the day:—1,440 tons.

First Notice Day for March Rubber—28/2—Last Trading Day—27/3

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 97/97 97/97 96 1/2 1/2 off

July 94 1/4 94 1/4 93 1/2 1/2 off

September 93 1/2 93 1/2 93 1/2

Tuesday's sales:—21,822,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May 56 1/2 56 1/2 55 1/2 1/2 off

July 56 1/2 56 1/2 55 1/2 1/2 off

September 56 1/2 56 1/2 55 1/2 1/2 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May 84 1/2 84 1/2 84 1/2

July 84 1/2 84 1/2 84 1/2

September 84 1/2 84 1/2 84 1/2

NEW YORK HIDES

March 13.72b/75a 13.75/75 13.77/77 .05 up

June 14.01/03 14.10/13 14.06/07 .05 up

First notice day for March hides:—28/2/40 last trading day:—25/3/40.

New York, Official 34-3/4 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 3.99-1/2 3.99-1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2 (Red after 1952)	99
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	16
Chinese 4 1/2 Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	60
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	50
China 4 1/2 Anglo-French Loan, 1908	50
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	42
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	12
China Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	55
Honan Rly. 5%	16
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	19
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	17
Lung T'ing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	14
Shai-N'King Rly. 5%	20
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	18
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	18

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS		Last Sale Jan. 31	STOCKS		Last Sale Jan. 31
Adams Express		7 1/2	Kennecott Copper		35
Allegheny Steel Co.		20 1/2	Lakey Foundry & Mac.		43 1/2
Allied Stores		8 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass		30 1/2
Allis Chalmers		35 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft		35 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.		100 1/2	Loew's Inc.		24 1/2
Amer. Can.		115	Mack Truck Inc.		37
American Cyanamid B.		34 1/2	Martin, Glen L.		18 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power		1 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.		107
Amer. & Foreign 7 pf.		22 1/2	Monsanto Chemical		51 1/2
American Gas & Elec.		36 1/2	Montgomery Ward		13
Amer. Locomotive		18 1/2	National Aviation		16 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.		9 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products		23 1/2
Amer. Radiator		15	Nat. Distillers		10 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill		47 1/2	National Gypsum		19 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.		20	National Lead		8
Amer. Sugar Refining		170 1/2	Nat. Power & Light		65 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.		89	National Steel Corp.		82
Amer. Tobacco "B"		10 1/2	National Supply Corp.		15 1/2
Amer. Waterworks		26 1/2	New York Central		54
Anacosta Copper		23 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power		24 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.		21	N. American Aviation		21 1/2
Auburn Motors		5 1/2	North American Co.		8 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio		14 1/2	Northern Pacific		62 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.		12 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.		34
Barnsdall Oil		30 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.		47 1/2
Bendix Aviation		72 1/2	Pacific Lighting		7 1/2
Bethlehem Steel		13 1/2	Packard Motors		3
Bliss & Co.		23 1/2	Paramount Pictures		21 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.		23 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.		35 1/2
Borg-Warner		10 1/2	Phelps-Dodge		39 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.		19 1/2	Phillips Petroleum		7 1/2
Briggs Mfg.		15 1/2	Pittsburg Coke & Iron		41
Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans.		54 1/2	Public Service of N.J.		26 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.		5	Pullman Inc.		8 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way		87	Pure Oil		5 1/2
Case, J.I.		26 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.		15 1/2
Celanese		39 1/2	Reading Company, Com		25 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio		80 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd		4 1/2
Chrysler Corp.		37	Remington Arms Co., Inc.		4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.		79 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.		6
Colts Patent Fire-Arms		61	Republic Steel		19 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.		89 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.		12
Columbia 6% "A" pf.		89 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"		40 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.		47 1/2	Richfield Oil		47 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)		13	Safeway Stores		12 1/2
Consolidated Edison		32 1/2	Schenley Distillers		83 1/2
Consolidated Oil		7	Sears Roebuck		11 1/2
Continental Can		42 1/2	Shell Union Oil		11 1/2
Continental Oil		24 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil		12 1/2
Copperweld Steel		16 1/2	Southern Pacific		30
Corn Products		63 1/2	Southern Rly 5% pfd.		30 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)		10	Sperry		45 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"		29 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.		30 1/2
Deere & Co.		20 1/2	Standard Brands		7 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams		19 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.		14
Douglas Aircraft		81	Standard Oil of California		24 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours		180	Standard Oil of N.J.		43
Eagle Picher Lead		10 1/2	Stone & Webster		10 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.		32 1/2	Studebaker Corp.		10 1/2
Elec. Autolite		35 1/2	Swift International		31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share		64	Technicolor		15
Elec. Bond & Share 5% pf.		57 1/2	Texas Corp.		42 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 6% pf.		66	Texas Gulf Sulphur		34 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7% pf.		29 1/2	Timken-Axle		21 1/2
Fisk Rubber		14	Trans-America Co.		5 1/2
Flintkote		18 1/2	20th Cent. Fox		5 1/2
Gen. American Trans.		52	20th Cent. Fox, 1 1/2 pf.		2 1/2
Gen. Electric		37 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon		4 1/2
Gen. Motors		52 1/2	Union Pacific		4 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal		16 1/2	United Aircraft		10 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber		23 1/2	United Airlines Trans.		10 1/2
Gildden Co.		17 1/2	United Corp.		10 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)		17 1/2	United Corp. 3% cum pf.		10 1/2
Goodrich 5% pf.		63 1/2	United Gas Corp.		10 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.		22 1/2	United Gas Improvement		10 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore		13 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol		10 1/2
Great Northern Rly, pfd.		23 1/2	U.S. Rubber		10 1/2
Great Western Sugar		27 1/2	U.S. Rubber 3% pfd.		10 1/2
Greyhound Corp.		16 1/2	U.S. Steel		10 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.		89	Vanadium		10 1/2
Homestake Mining		54	Walworth Co.		10 1/2
International Harvester		59 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.		10 1/2
Int Nickel		64	Westinghouse Elec.		10 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.		4	Woodward Iron Cor.		10 1/2
Johns-Manville		71 1/2	Chase National Bank		10 1/2
J. & Laughlin Steel 7% pfd.		57 1/2	National City Bank		10 1/2

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CHINA REQUESTS FURTHER MEDICAL AID FROM U.S.: PERSONNEL AND SUPPLIES

CHUNGKING, Feb. 1 (Central)—Further assistance from America in medical personnel, supplies and school equipment was made by Dr. F. C. Yen, Director of the Chinese National Health Administration, in a broadcast.

Dr. Yen said that thus far America has spent over U.S. \$200,000,000 to promote health programme and medical education in China, but more is needed.

China need more medical workers, Dr. Yen stated. All American missionaries, whether in Free China or in the so-called "occupied area," have courageously stuck to their posts.

DEPLETED STAFFS

Chinese Christians and other social workers have also been mobilized to the fullest extent for service. American mission hospitals have been depleted of most of their Chinese staff, for they have been requisitioned for government medical services, and American doctors and nurses have all been overworked almost to a breaking point.

The nationwide spiritual awakening going on in China, especially among the Chinese youths and the educated class, affords a unique opportunity for religious directors, student secretaries and social workers. Mission boards and the Church Committee for China Relief in America may well redouble their efforts in sending out more workers to China, Dr. Yen appealed.

MEDICINES NEEDED

Next to personnel is the need for medicine and medical supplies. In the past, organizations like the American Red Cross, American Bureau of Medical Aid to China, and Bowl of Rice Movement have contributed funds and medical supplies which enable China to relieve much suffering and sickness among the civilian population.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Feb. 1.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.07 ins.

Temperature, 63 F.

Humidity, 77 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Temperature: maximum yesterday 66 F.

Temperature, minimum last night 60 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st 0.02 ins.

Against an average of 1.27 ins.

Sunset tonight, 8.11 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.03 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 1.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.95 ins.

Temperature, 63 F.

Humidity, 79 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 66 F.

Minimum temperature 60 F.

Rainfall nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 2 to 8 Feb. 1940.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fri.	2	h.m. 04.40	h.m. 09.10
		18.45	03.40
Sat.	3	06.35	00.25
		17.45	10.20
Sun.	4	08.05	01.20
		18.50	11.33
Mon.	5	08.55	02.08
		19.59	12.35
Tue.	6	09.55	02.40
		20.24	1.27
Wed.	7	10.18	03.14
		21.04	1.14
Thur.	8	10.31	03.44
		21.28	1.00

Shipbuilding Taken Over By Admiralty**Premier's Statement In Commons**

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter)—In the House of Commons yesterday, the Prime Minister, replying to Major C. B. Atlee said that the Government had decided that the Admiralty should become responsible for merchant shipbuilding and repairs from Feb. 1, thus repeating the arrangements made in the last war.

NEW CONTROLLER

Sir James Lithgow had been appointed Controller of Merchant Shipbuilding and Repairs and Sir Amos Ayre had been appointed Director of Merchant Shipping and Repairs.

Replying to supplementary questions, the Prime Minister stated that the question of finance would be the responsibility of the Admiralty and the ships, when built, would be the property of the Government.

He understood that Sir James Lithgow was not accepting a salary.

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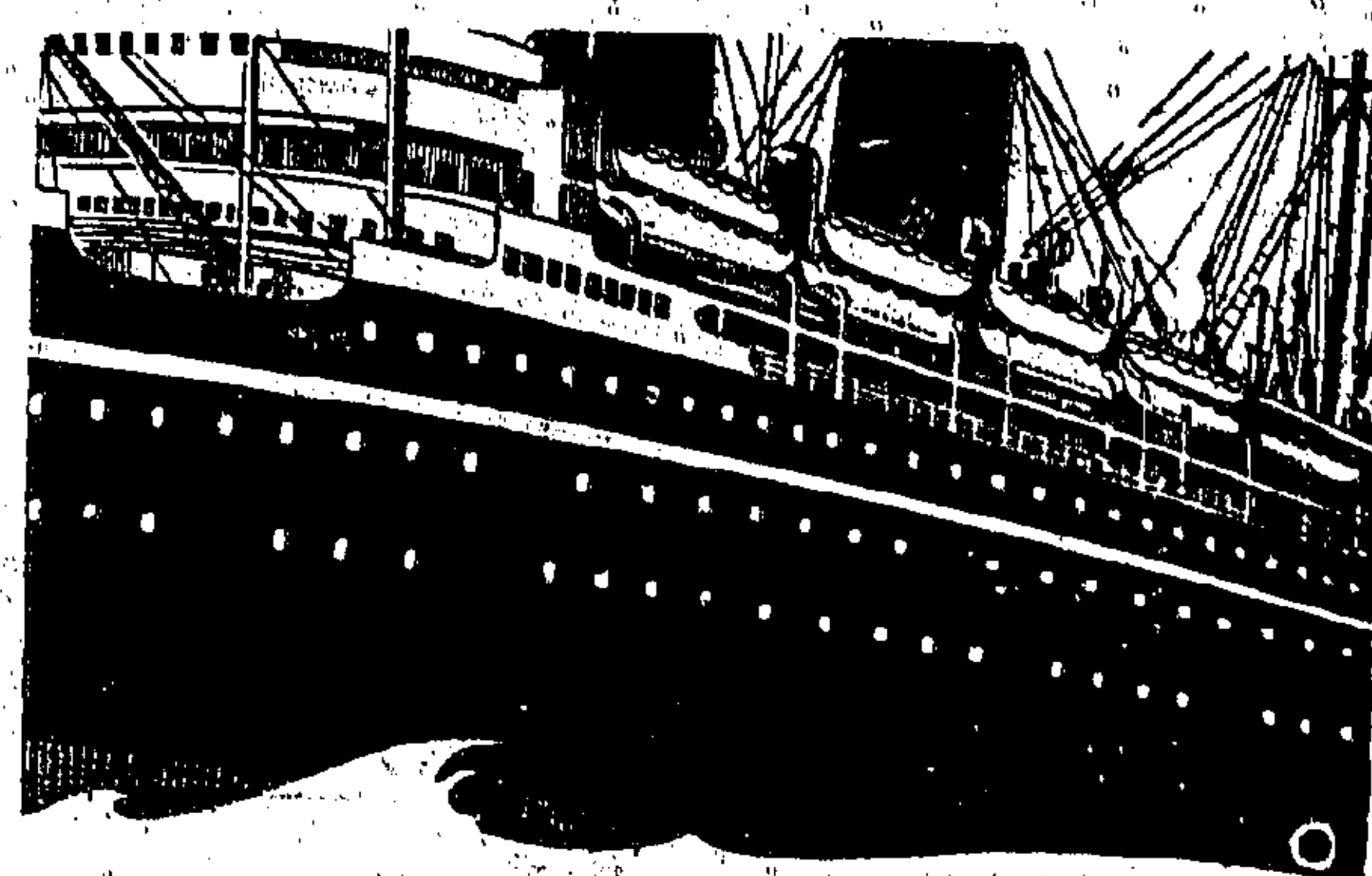
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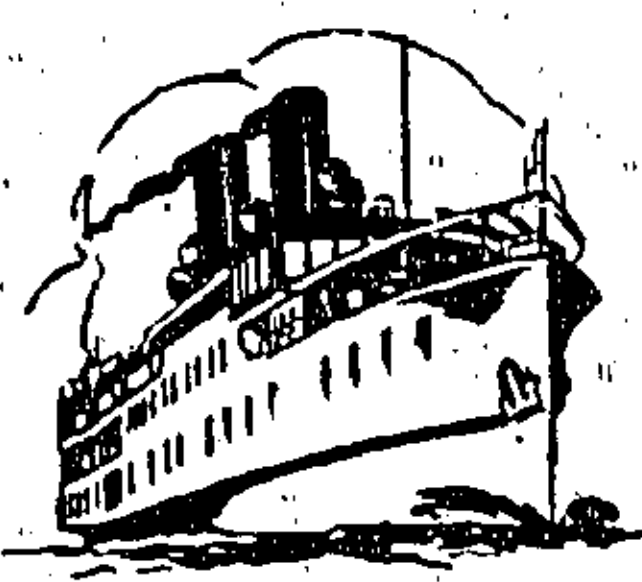
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**LABOURERS CLAIM HIGHER WAGES IN
SINGAPORE OWING TO RISE IN COST
OF LIVING: DISMISSAL BY
EMPLOYERS DISAPPROVED
BY THE GOVERNMENT**

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Colonies, in reply to Mr. Creech Jones (Lab.), in the House of Commons yesterday, said that the rise in the cost of living in Singapore since the outbreak of war provided a genuine economic basis for the recent claims on behalf of labourers.

There was reason to suspect that subversive elements, unfriendly to this country, were attempting unscrupulously to exploit this position. All public authorities and most of the other employers had awarded a cost of living allowance from Nov. 1 last.

In some cases employers had refused to negotiate on demands which they considered extravagant and, in one or two disputes, workmen had been dismissed.

Such a course was strongly disapproved by the Government.

NEW LEGISLATION

Trade Union legislation on approved lines and legislation to provide machinery for a settlement of industrial disputes was now in the process of enactment by the Straits Settlements Legislature.

**CONCENTRATION
OF INDUSTRIAL
POPULATION**

**Report Of Royal
Commission**

LONDON, Feb. 1 (BWS).—The report of the Royal Commission, appointed over two-and-a-half years ago to consider problems raised by concentration of the industrial population, consists of an exhaustive survey of causes, and social, economic and strategic effects of population movements in the years following the four years of war.

Although the minority report, signed by three of the thirteen members of the Commission, shows disagreement on the composition and functions of the controlling authority, all are agreed that some such centralised control is necessary.

NEW MINISTRY

While the majority are in favour of the appointment of a national industrial board, responsible to the Board of Trade, the minority recommend a new Ministry, in charge of a Cabinet Minister.

All agree the objects of national action should be continued, redevelopment of congested urban areas and decentralisation, or dispersal, of industrial population therefrom and encouragement of a reasonable balance in development.

It is unanimously agreed that the special problem of high population in London and home counties demands immediate attention.

**CONTROL OF PRICES
OF FOODSTUFFS**

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, making a statement on the cost of living index, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, referred to the steps taken by the Government to control, as far as possible, the retail prices of the principal essential foodstuffs. It was due to this action that the cost of food index had remained unchanged between December and January.

The policy of controlling retail food prices by the use of public funds was being continued and, in consequence, Sir John Simon said that he anticipated that any increase in the present month would be small.

SUBSTANTIAL COST

The cost of this policy to the Exchequer was very substantial and was at present costing £1,000,000 a week, arising principally from holding prices on such articles as bread, flour, meat and milk.

**CONDEMNED TO
DEATH UNLESS
HELP COMES**

PARIS, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—“Miracles have happened, but you can't expect a series of miracles,” Finland's Minister, in Paris told the Anglo-American press at lunch. “We are condemned to death unless help comes soon.”

**WESTERN
FRONT**

**Two Raids By
Nazis Driven
Back**

PARIS, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Two Nazi raids on the Western Front, west of the Saar, during the past 24 hours, have been repulsed.

German artillery opened fire on the French outposts prior to the attacks and also laid a barrage on all points from which raiding parties could be attacked.

TWO MILES APART

The Germans left their lines at points two miles apart. In one raid, about fifty men were in one party and 25 in the other.

French artillery and automatic weapons drove them back without difficulty.

NO AIR ACTIVITY

There has been no air activity over the front, although one Nazi machine made a long reconnaissance flight over Eastern and Northern France and is reported to have flown over Belgium on the way home.

WAR COMMUNIQUE

A French War Communique states: “Our patrols penetrated enemy territory at several points and successfully accomplished their mission.”

PRELUDE TO ATTACK

PARIS, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Behind the tense French war communique regarding the penetration into German lines by French Patrols may be seen the determination of the Allies to keep a complete tab on the extensive German troop movements, which are believed to be prelude to an attack on the Maginot line.

Numerous patrols were active along the whole length of the line between the Moselle and the Rhine, while there were sharp clashes at several points.

French patrols, who covered by creeping the artillery barrage, penetrated deep into the enemy lines, well behind the normal positions of the enemy outposts.

**Neutrality
Keynote
Of Balkan
Conference**

BUCHAREST, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Neutrality will almost certainly be the keynote of the Balkan Conference in Belgrade on Friday.

The deliberations will be private and no agenda is published but it is believed that the first step will be statements by the Ministers in regard to the position of their countries.

NAZI REQUEST

BELGRADE, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The fact that on the eve of the Balkan conference, Germany has requested countries in South-Eastern Europe to define their attitude in the economic field has added greatly to the importance of the Conference.

The request has aroused a general demand that the Balkan Entente co-operate to form a strong economic bloc and to reinforce political independence of action in regard to belligerents.

TURKEY'S POLICY

ISTANBUL, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—The Turkish Foreign Minister, Bey Sarajoglu, before leaving for Belgrade, declared that Turkey was not neutral, but outside the present war. That did not mean waiting passively upon events, but taking all measures necessary to prevent the flames from spreading home.

If Turkey was not attacked or compelled by events to implement her engagements, she was determined to pursue her policy of peace.

**Hitler's Tirade Of Whines
& Threats Arouses Little
Interest In World Press**

LONDON, Feb. 1 (Reuter).—Herr Hitler's speech has aroused little interest in the world press. The speech is the usual tirade against Versailles, Democracy and Mr. Chamberlain and semi-official circles in London note that in the middle of Herr Hitler's blustering he enumerated many steps taken since his coming into power regarding the rape of Austria and Sudetenland, but he made no reference to the seizure of Czechoslovakia or the attack on Poland.

His reference to “that Atheist Stalin” is also considered somewhat odd, in view of the circumstances.

LESSON LEARNED

Both Herr Hitler and Dr. Goebbels, who introduced him, made several references to broadcasts from Britain and France, claiming that no one in Germany listened to them, but nevertheless it is pointed out in England that Herr Hitler and Dr. Goebbels then proceeded to try and discredit these reports which no one listened to. The fact that Herr Hitler attacked both Britain and France shows that at last he seems to have learned the folly of trying to separate the Allies.

TYPICAL COMMENT

Typical of comment of the British press is that of The Times which says that Hitler's tirade of whines and threats is interesting only as an example of the systematic mendacity in which German morale is apparently built.

MORE PRECAUTIONS

Ten-thousand persons gathered in the Sport Palast where all members of the Nazi Party and storm-troopers, Gestapo, etc., were brought to the meeting place in groups by responsible officials.

Foreign press correspondents were summoned by the Propaganda Ministry and driven to the Sport Palast by officials without being previously notified where they were going.

During his speech, the Fuehrer was surrounded by Dr. Goebbels, Herr Himmler and Dr. Ley, but Field-Marshal Goering was absent. Foreign observers here noted that the usual branding of Communism gave place yesterday to a vague reference to the “Nihilist Element.”

**Hitler Was
Well Guarded**

**FEARS OF FRESH
ATTEMPT ON HIS
LIFE**

BERNE, Feb. 1 (Havas).—The Neue Zuercher Zeitung reports that extensive precautionary measures were taken on Tuesday to prevent any new attempt against Herr Hitler's life when he spoke at the Sport Palast in Berlin.

The German people were advised only a few hours beforehand that the Fuehrer was going to deliver an address and until the last minute no mention was made of the place from where he was speaking.

**RUSSO-ITALIAN
PRESS POLEMIC**

ROME, Feb. 1 (Havas).—The Russo-Italian press polemic has gathered momentum as the Telegraph, Count Ciano's paper, answered the Pravda's insults to the Italian Army.

“Why should we pay any attention to the Pravda's insults when our volunteers so often defeated the Russians in Spain. Russians, such as those writing in the Pravda, should not be taken seriously, because they are not men as we are. They are merely human wrecks, good only for the firing squad and deportation or for being kicked around.”

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Canton	3rd Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 12th January)	3rd Feb.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 4th January)	3rd Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	3rd Feb.
Sandakan	3rd Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	3rd Feb.
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Shanghai	5th Feb.
Formosa and Swatow	5th Feb.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 11th Jan.)	5th Feb.
Haiphong	5th Feb.
Saigon	5th Feb.
Bangkok and Saigon	5th Feb.
Straits.	6th Feb.
Straits.	6th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	7th Feb.
Air Mail by “Air France Direct Service”—Paris date, 31st January	7th Feb.
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Haiphong	7th Feb.
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Shanghai	8th Feb.
Shanghai	8th Feb.
Air Mail by “Imperial Airways Direct Service”—London, date, 24th January	9th Feb.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 15th December 1939)	9th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	9th Feb.
Canton	9th Feb.
Air Mail by “Imperial Airways Direct Service”—London date, 27th January	10th Feb.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	10th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	10th Feb.
Manila	10th Feb.
Shanghai	10th Feb.
Canton	10th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	11th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	11th Feb.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January)	13th Feb.
Shanghai	13th Feb.
Java and Manila	13th Feb.
Japan	14th Feb.
Manila	15th Feb.
U. S. A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January)	15th Feb.

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Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 20th February	Reg. 3rd 8.45 AM
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Canton	5.00 PM
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Canton	10.20 AM
Shanghai	1.30 PM
Parcels only for Shanghai	2.30 PM
Haiphong	3.00 PM
Japan	2.30 PM
Manila	2.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 6th
Batavia and Sourabaya	9.30 AM
Manila	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard, and Hoihow	1.30 PM
Straits.	2.30 PM
Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 7th
Air Mail for “Imperial Airways Direct Service”—due London, 14th February	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 8th
Air Mail for “Imperial Airways Direct Service”—due London, 14th February	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 9th
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by “Imperial Airways Direct Service”—due Sydney 12th February	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

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